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GERMAN SAVAGERY AT ABBEVILLE

London, To-day.

Abbeville, where the German advance turned northward towards the Channel ports, was bombed to pieces by the German air force before their troops seized the town, according to a Red Cross man who has just left northern France.

He said: "The last time I saw Abbeville it was one vast desolation of smouldering ruins, with shattered streets strewn with dead and dying women and children.

"The Germans bombed it apparently without thought of military objectives, dropping high explosive and incendiary bombs and incendiary darts — which shoot about like jumping crackers."—Reuter.

WAR SITUATION UNDER CONTROL

PARIS, TO-DAY.

A COMMUNIQUE STATES THAT THE VIOLENT ENCOUNTERS WHICH HAVE BEEN TAKING PLACE FOR SEVERAL DAYS PAST IN THE NORTH, AND PARTICULARLY IN THE REGIONS OF CAMBRAI AND ARRAS, WHICH EXTENDED AS FAR AS THE REGIONS OF ST. OMER AND BOULOGNE, HAVE NOT AFFECTED THE CONTINUITY OF OUR FRONT AS A WHOLE.

South of Sedan the German attack reported yesterday morning was carried out with powerful means. Our counter-attack registered a very clear success.

There were very active operations by our reconnaissance and bombing aircraft which continued to harass the enemy rear.

Our fighter planes, continuing their covering action, successfully attacked armoured and motorised units of the enemy. — Reuter.

Violent Fighting

Paris, To-day.

The Battle of Flanders continues to rage with the greatest violence, the French War Office spokesman stated.

Details of the operations are shrouded in secrecy for at this stage General Weygand must necessarily keep his own counsel, but what is certain is that the fighting is extremely intense, the fiercest struggle being in the Arras-Cambrai-Valenciennes sector.—Reuter.

Practically Unchanged

Paris, To-day.

The military spokesman stated last evening that the situation on the Valenciennes-Cambrai-Arras front was practically unchanged.—Reuter.

German Report

Berlin, To-day.

The German news agency admits the Allies have brought up numerous reinforcements, especially motorised and mechanised units, despite strong German air attacks, but states all attempts to break the German lines have failed.

The report adds fresh German in-

fantry divisions have been brought up, so that at some points the Germans now have a numerical superiority. — Reuter.

Intense Fighting

London, To-day.

A French military spokesman indicated yesterday afternoon that the heaviest fighting in the west is around Arras, Cambrai and Valenciennes, where, he said, the fighting is "extremely intense."

For the rest, he added little to the official communiques, which announced that the French had reached the outskirts of Amiens, that there had been increased pressure on the line of the Somme, and that south of Sedan, enemy attacks had continued without appreciable progress "despite the means employed."

It was learned in London yesterday that Boulogne is in German hands.

Reserve Advisable

General Weygand is anxious not to help the enemy by giving them any information which might be useful, hence, it will not always be possible to announce what towns have been taken or retaken, as there is reason to believe that the advance German units may not have means of communicating with their headquarters.

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5,000 NAZI TROOPS ISOLATED

New York, To-day.

Five thousand German troops belonging to mechanised units are reported to be isolated in Amiens, according to a broadcast by the National Broadcasting Company's Paris representative.

He added that other Nazi mechanised forces are "stalled" owing to lack of fuel.

The Allied forces are reported to be busily mopping up these isolated Germans.—Reuter.

HITLER PLAYING OUT HIS TRUMPS

Berne, To-day.

German official circles openly admit the Reich is now playing all its trump cards on the western front, according to neutral correspondents in Berlin.

It is stated the Germans realise the result of the war will probably depend on the issue of the present operations, and consequently they are throwing into battle all their reserves of mechanised material.

The operations in northern France and Belgium are believed to comprise the first part of Hitler's plan.

The German troops, however, are meeting resistance with which they do not appear to have reckoned.

The second phase of the plan would be a direct attack against Britain.—Reuter.

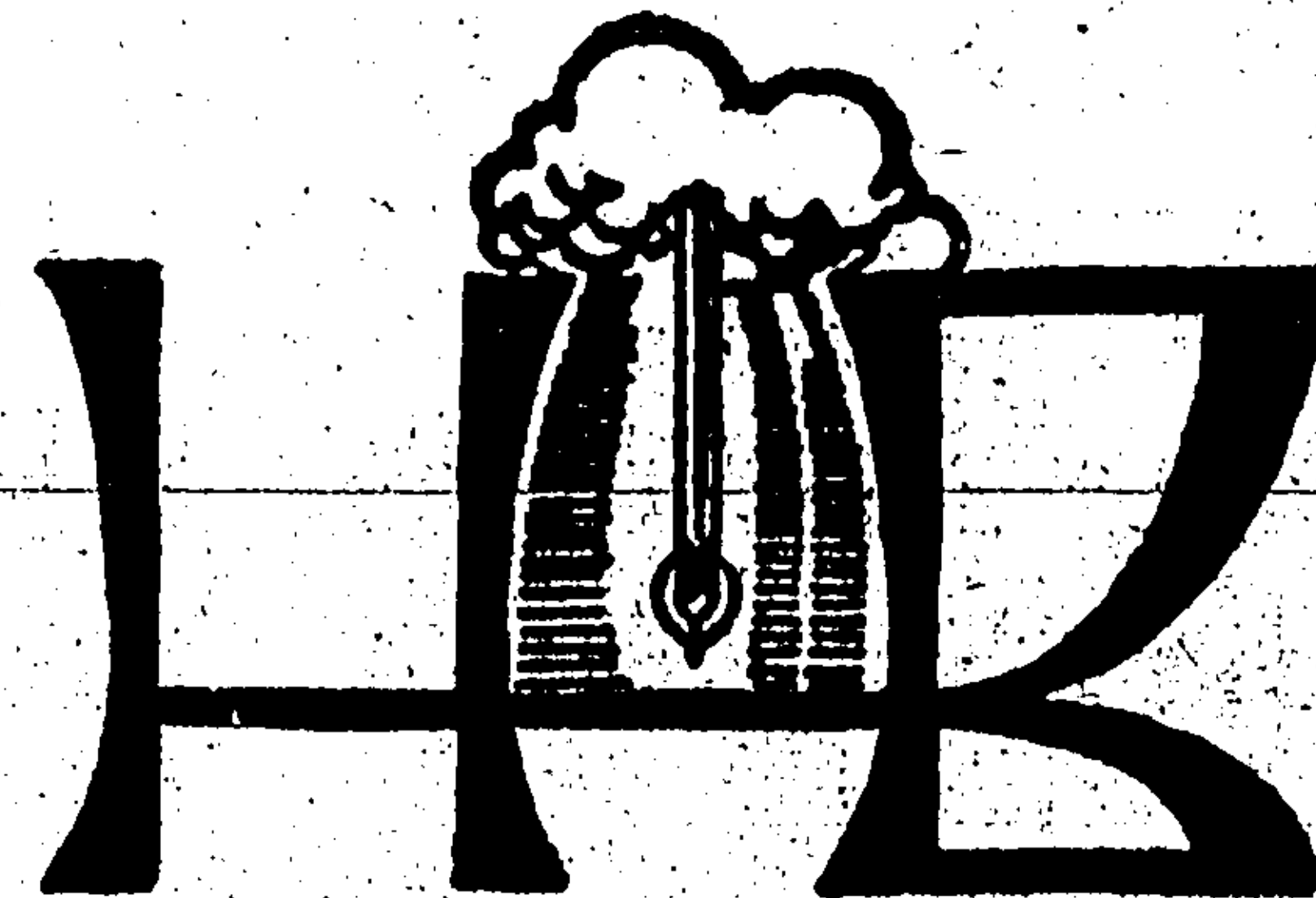
BRILLIANT AIR VICTORY

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces that while on patrol over the French coast yesterday afternoon 11 of our fighters encountered a much larger enemy force.

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The captain was obeying German orders and steering for a neutral port when seven of the crew heard a British broadcast urging Danish ships to go to Allied ports.

They overpowered the captain and chief officer and took the ship to Britain.

"We were in mid-Atlantic when we heard of our country's invasion," one of the mutineers, a young English-speaking Dane, told a reporter in London.

"Our captain received orders from Copenhagen to put into a neutral port.

"At midnight, seven of us, listening to the radio in the fo'c'sle, heard a message from the British trade unions telling us the true facts, and asking Danish and Norwegian ships to make for Allied ports.

"We decided to follow this advice. It was pitch dark. We crept on to the bridge and asked the chief officer where we were bound.

"When he said we were making for Ireland, we tied him with ropes and placed him in the wheelhouse.

"Then, while another man assumed control, we made for the captain's cabin.

"He was asleep. We roused him and tried to persuade him to make for England. He refused."

"We used no force, but from then on took command of the ship. The other thirteen in the crew supported us.

"We knew it was mutiny and that we were liable to severe punishment, but we were determined to save the ship for the Allies.

"When we reached port the captain notified the police, and we seven were arrested for mutiny. After three hours we were released. They said they had insufficient evidence."

WHY CAPTAIN FEARED

The story was told to the executive committee of the Norwegian Seamen's

Union at the New Malden, Surrey, home of Mr. C. Jarman, who presided.

"When I heard of the arrests," Mr. Jarman said, "I got on to the authorities, who were in the position of having not only to release the men but to thank them for mutinying.

"The captain was afraid to disobey German orders in case his family suffered.

"This episode was the first tangible result of the broadcast by the Norwegian Union and the International Union.

"From Holland, Belgium and U.S.A., too, where the Norwegian Union has branches we have received messages of solidarity.

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The motor cycle has become a definitely important item in Britain's war economy, not only on active service and on the home front, but in exports to help the country's foreign exchange.

As the position in regard to materials is clarified, markets like South America, India and South Africa, into which Germany had recently subsidised her way, are being tackled by the British industry.

Already one concern is sending machines overseas for police and messenger work, patrol duties on pipe lines, and a variety of municipal and military activities. In the British Isles thirty police constabularies now use motor cycles.

On the "home front" of the war there is a very wide range of types running on A.R.P. work, and for women's services, naval depots and air defence.

On active service the motor cycle is being more extensively used than ever before, not only by despatch carriers and military police but to pilot lorry drivers from their ammunition posts forward to the points where ammunition is required. Drivers find that they can easily follow a motor cyclist, who is to them a kind of mechanical sheep dog showing his flock the way it should go.

MENU OF 154 DISHES WAS REPLY TO "SHORTAGE"

Colonel H.W. Burton, M. P., is one of the latest people in this country to receive from the United States an offer to be supplied with foodstuffs because of the reputed national food shortage in Britain.

To counter this result of German propaganda, Colonel Burton sent a reassuring reply, together with a current menu, showing 154 dishes, of the London hotel of which he is a director.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

SUBJECT—"SOUL AND BODY."

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow, May 26th will be: "Soul and Body."

The golden Text will be:—"My soul longeth, yea even fainteth for the courts of the Lord: my hart and my flesh crieth out for the living God." (Psalms 84: 2.)

T. B. IN HONG KONG

In the absence of sanatoria, all Hong Kong hospitals have to take their share of work in the fight against tuberculosis, and typical of the work is that of the Queen Mary Hospital, with its male and female wards of 20 beds each, which are always full to capacity, the Hong Kong Anti-Tuberculosis Association informs the 'China Mail.'

Discrimination has to be used, as it is not possible to admit all cases requiring treatment. At the same time, while cases are selected where there is a reasonable chance of recuperation, all too often patients have to be admitted who are beyond all hope of recovery.

Tuberculosis of the lungs—"consumption"—accounted for over 75 per cent of Hospital's 10,649 cases in 1939, the case mortality rate being 200 per 1,000. An interesting comment is made by the Anti-T.B. Association in this connection:—

"A remarkable feature in the histories of patients is the relatively short period during which they have complained of any untoward symptoms. As many as 50 per cent of the cases date the onset of the disease to within two months and 80 per cent to within one year. In many cases this information is not compatible with the advanced state of the disease as revealed on examination."

"One can only attribute this disparity to the stoical nature of the Chinese, who have accustomed themselves to endure discomfort and minor symptoms of ill-health with indifference."

Tuberculosis is essentially a disease which manifests itself in early life, and, indeed, at the Queen Mary Hospital 58 per cent of the cases were under 30 years of age.

No special significance is attached to the fact that two-thirds of the patients were men, because "females are less inclined to seek hospital treatment." On the other hand, the men do not stay in hospital so long, so that the turn-over of cases admitted is greater.

GOLD COIN IN GRANITE

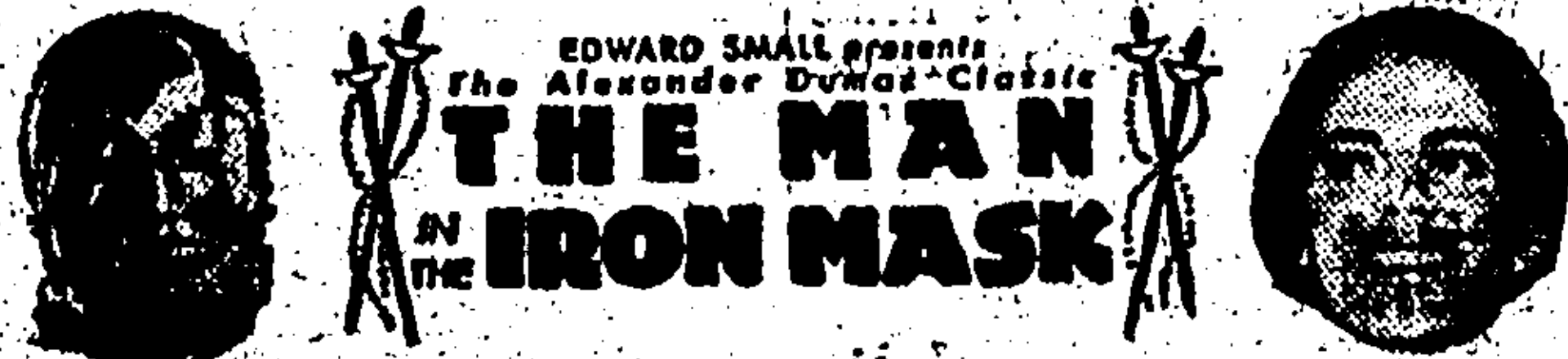
A half-sovereign, probably dropped by a passer-by more than seventy years ago, has been found by Mr. P. G. Barrett, of Drayton-gardens, West Drayton, Middlesex, while remodeling a block of granite from the old Waterloo Bridge.

The coin is dated 1863. It was lodged in the mortar. The bridge was opened in 1817, so the coin could not be one of those placed in the foundations.

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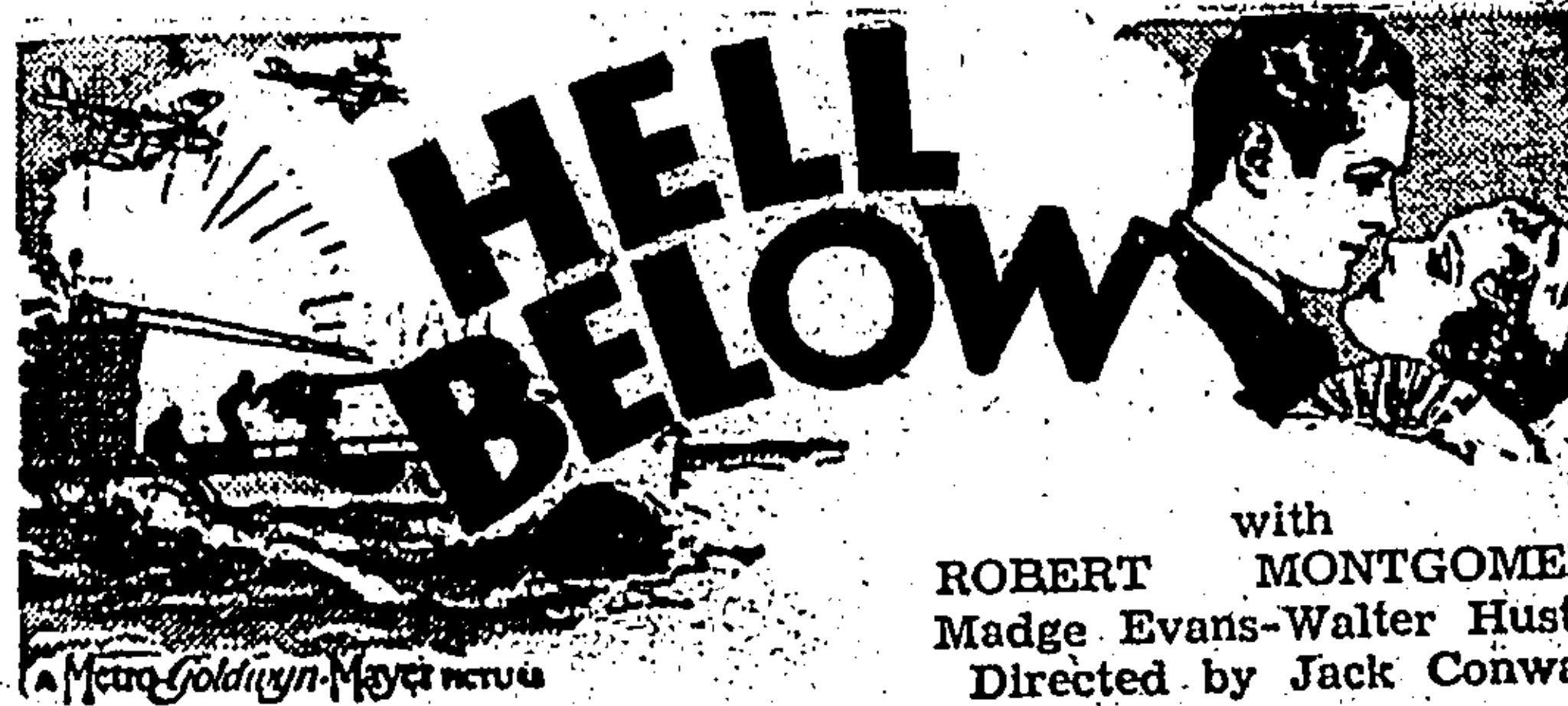
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CAPTAIN VON RINTELEN ARRESTED IN LONDON

British Precautionary Detentions Continue

More Mosleyites Rounded Up

London, To-day.

THE AUTHORITIES HAVE detained Captain Franz von Rintelen, head of the German Secret Service in the United States during the last war.

After the war, von Rintelen settled in England; he had applied for naturalisation.

Von Rintelen was outwitted during the war by the Chief of the Admiralty Intelligence, Admiral Sir Reginald Hall.

After the war the two became close friends, von Rintelen giving Admiral Hall's daughter away at her wedding recently.

Von Rintelen recently had been prominent in denouncing the Nazi leaders. He was the author of the book "The Dark Invader," describing his experiences in espionage. He offered to join the British Navy some months ago.

Meanwhile, an additional 21 men and four women were arrested in the London area yesterday.

Most of them are understood to be connected with the British Union of Fascists under Sir Oswald Mosley, who was arrested on Thursday.—Reuter.

Communist Meeting Banned

London, To-day.

Further action against "Fifth Columnists" and other enemies of the State is being taken.

Two more Fascists are reported to have been arrested in Manchester.

The London District Committee of the Communist Party announces that the Home Secretary has prohibited a meeting scheduled for Sunday afternoon in Trafalgar Square.

In Londonderry, 12 men have been arrested; they are believed to be members of the I.R.A. In Belfast, 78 I.R.A. suspects were taken into custody on Thursday night.—Reuter.

GERMAN TRADE PACT WITH BULGARIA

Sofia, To-day.

The German trade mission headed by Dr. Landwehr, director of the German Trade Ministry, has successfully completed trade negotiations with Bulgaria and the results are satisfactory to both sides, says a communiqué issued here. The Nazi mission is flying back to Berlin to-day.—Reuter.

STATUS OF N.E.I.

Canberra, To-day.

Australia has given an undertaking that the war will not affect the status quo of the Netherlands East Indies, states the Australian Minister for External Affairs. A similar undertaking, he said, had been given by Japan.—Reuter.

AMERICA TO REGISTER ALL ALIENS

New York, To-day.

The U.S. Attorney-General states that 3,500,000 aliens in the United States will be registered.—Reuter.

BRITISH BID TO IMPROVE RELATIONS

London, To-day.

The statement in the Commons that the Government is taking immediate steps to improve relations with the Soviet Union seems to indicate, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent, that the latest Soviet communication is regarded as opening the door towards the possibility of trade talks.

The correspondent says that in these circumstances there is reason to believe that subject to the agreement of the Soviet Government, the British Government may send Sir Stafford Cripps to Moscow on an exploratory mission to ascertain what bases are available for trade negotiations.—Reuter.

LABOUR'S MAGNIFICENT GESTURE

New York, To-day.

A "New York Times" editorial on Britain's dictatorship says British Labour has risen to magnificent patriotism on the present occasion.

It is the leader of the Labour Party himself who introduced the Bill which takes out of the hands of special groups of workers the power to insist on their own conditions of labour, as it takes out of the hands of the capitalists the power to control their own property.—Reuter.

Swedish Comment

Gothenburg, To-day.

The "Goteborg Morgonpost" says a dictatorship has been set up in England stronger and more ruthless than any other. The English nation stands behind it united; one can say it demanded it.

The war must be won and all else is insignificant.

Everyone knows the dictatorship will not last a day longer than necessary. No nation hates dictatorships and coalitions more than the English but no people can use them with greater success.—Reuter.

ITALY'S WAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Rome, To-day.

Italy's celebrations yesterday passed off soberly.

There were no boisterous demonstrations in city streets and it might have been called rather "Anti-Ally Day" than "Pro-German Day."

All the newspapers avoided recalling that to-day's ally was then the enemy by stating that Italy went to war with the Hapsburg Empire.

The "betrayal" by her former Allies is noted in leading articles in which all proclaim that the hour of reckoning has struck for the "plutocracies in their dotage."—Reuter.

GERMAN RADIO WARNS BELGIANS

London, To-day.

The official German wireless yesterday broadcast a warning in Flemish to the Belgian population that to attempt to leave their towns and villages at present was tantamount to suicide.

It stated it was impossible for bombers to distinguish between civilian and military objectives on roads.

People were told to stay at home and to go to shelters during air raids.—Reuter.

CASUALTIES ON "PRINCESS VICTORIA"

London, To-day.

The Admiralty announce that casualties on the minesweeper Princess Victoria, sunk by enemy action, were four officers and 32 ratings missing presumed dead, and seven officers and three ratings wounded.

The casualties include the commander, Captain J. B. E. Hall.—Reuter.

MINEFIELD OFF AFRICA SWEEPED UP

Capetown, To-day.

The defence authorities announce that measures taken to clear the mines laid by the Germans and located off Cape Agulhas were successful and no damage was done to a single ship.—Reuter.

OFF THE RECORD

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London, To-day.

BROADCASTING AN EMPIRE DAY message to the nation, the King last night said: "A year ago I spoke to the peoples of the Empire from Winnipeg, in the heart of Canada.

"We were at peace. On that Empire Day I spoke of the ideal of freedom, justice and peace upon which our Commonwealth of free peoples is founded. The clouds were gathering but I held fast to the hope that those ideals might yet achieve a fuller and richer development without suffering the grievous onslaught of war.

"But it was not to be. The evil which we strove unceasingly and with all honesty of purpose to avert, fell upon us.

"In this our conscience is clear. For there is now revealed without the possibility of mistake a long planned scheme to subjugate by force the nations of the world against which all our efforts for peace were doomed to break.

"The decisive struggle is now upon us. I am going to speak plainly to you, for in this hour of trial I know you would not have me do otherwise.

"Let no-one be mistaken; it is no mere territorial conquest our enemies are seeking. It is the overthrow, complete and final, of this Empire and of everything for which it stands, and after that the conquest of the world.

Time For Doubt Past

"And if their will prevails they will bring to its accomplishment all the hatred and cruelty which they already display.

"It is not easy for us to believe that designs so evil could find a place in the human mind. But the time for doubt is long past. Too all of us in this Empire, to all men of vision and goodwill throughout the world, the issue is now plain.

"It is an issue of life or death for us all. Defeat will not mean some brief eclipse from which we shall emerge with strength renewed—it will mean the destruction of our world as we have known it and the descent of darkness on its ruins.

"I speak to you to-day with new visions of this Empire before my eyes.

"That it has come into conflict and sharp comparison with the evil thing which is attempting its destruction, its full significance appears in a brighter and more certain light.

Into Their Teeth

"There is a word which our enemies have used against us—Imperialism. By that they mean the spirit of domination and lust for conquest.

"We free peoples of the Empire cast that word back in their teeth. It is they who have these evil aspirations.

"Our one object has always been peace; a peace in which our institutions may be developed, the condition of our peoples improved and the problems of government solved in a spirit of goodwill.

"This peace they have taken away from us and they are seeking to destroy all that we have striven to maintain.

"Against our honesty is set dishonesty, against our faithfulness is set treachery, against our justice is set brute force.

"There, in clear and unmistakeable opposition, lie the forces that now confront one another.

"The rising up of peoples throughout the Empire shows without doubt which will prevail.

Just Wrath

"They have risen in just wrath against things which they detest and despise. Nothing can shake their resolution. In perfect unity of purpose they will defend their lives and all that makes life worth living.

"Let no-one think that my confidence is dimmed when I tell you how perilous is the ordeal which we are facing. On the contrary, it shines in my heart as brightly as it shines in yours.

"But confidence alone is not enough. It must be armed with courage and resolution, with endurance and self-sacrifice.

"These are high qualities that the men of the homeland and the men from overseas, in an unending stream, are bringing to the struggle on land and sea and in the air.

"At this moment our thoughts turn to our fighting men and to those who love them, mothers, wives and sweethearts at home.

"Beside them stand the soldiers of our old ally, France, and with them Poland, Norway, Belgium and Holland, peoples upon whose peaceful lands has fallen all the horror of a treacherous and unprovoked aggression.

Fateful Hour

"At this fateful hour we turn, as our fathers before us have turned in all times of trial, to God most high.

"Here in the Old Country I have asked that Sunday next should be observed as a day of national prayer.

"It may be possible for many of our brethren across the seas to join their prayers with ours.

"Let us with one heart and soul humbly but confidently commit our cause to God and ask his aid that we may valiantly defend the right as it is given to us to see it.

"So now, peoples of the Empire, men and women in all quarters of the globe, I say to you: Put into your task, whatever it may be, all the courage and purpose of which you are capable.

"Keep your hearts proud and your resolve unshaken. Let us go forward to that task as one man, a smile on our lips and our heads held high, and with God's help we shall not fail."—Reuter.

NEW ZEALAND TO PASS EMERGENCY LAWS

Wellington, To-day.

New Zealand will introduce legislation similar to that introduced in Britain conscripting industry and wealth.

The Prime Minister has announced that the New Zealand Parliament will meet next Thursday for this purpose. The serious nature of the war position, he says, makes it imperative that all forms of property and institutions should be at the country's disposal.—Reuter.

GALLUP POLL ON CREDITS

New York, To-day.

The "New York Times" reports a Gallup Poll on May 15 as finding that 51 per cent. of Americans would sell planes to the Allies on credit supplied by the United States Government if the Allies were unable to pay cash.—Reuter.

GUILDER'S LINK WITH STERLING

WASHINGTON, YESTERDAY.

IN ADVISING MR. SUMNER WELLES, THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE, THAT THE NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT HAS JOINED THE ANGLO-FRENCH MONETARY AGREEMENT, HEER LOUDON, THE NETHERLANDS MINISTER, ADDED THAT TRADE BETWEEN THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES AND COUNTRIES FORMING THE STERLING BLOC WOULD BE EFFECTED AT THE OFFICIAL RATE OF EXCHANGE.

This was fixed at 7.60 guilders to the pound sterling.

Heer Loudon added the United States dollar would be maintained at an average level of 1.87 guilders.

He also stated preparatory measures were taken to assure that exports destined for countries outside the orbit of the agreement would be fully maintained, but payment would have to be effected either in United States dollars or any other foreign currency approved by the Bank of Java.—Reuter.

RHODESIA CALLS FOR NEW SACRIFICES

Salisbury, To-day.

The Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia has told his people that the time has come when they must state definitely that they are prepared to make sacrifices just as the people of Britain have.

There will be a secret-session of the Parliament next week.—Reuter.

IAN SMUTS, 70

Cape Town, To-day.

General Smuts, the South African Premier, celebrated his 70th birthday yesterday by working hard on new defence measures.

Last night, he was the guest at a civic banquet, broadcasting a message to the nation after the relay of the King's address at 8 p.m. to the Empire.—Reuter.

GIBRALTAR'S EVACUATION PLANS

Gibraltar, To-day.

In connection with Gibraltar's evacuation plans, it is made clear that there is no intention at present of making it compulsory for anyone to leave except women with young families.

The first batch in this evacuation plan was sent for French Morocco on Tuesday.—Reuter.

QUEEN WILHELMINA'S RESOLVE

London, To-day.

Queen Wilhelmina, in a statement issued in London yesterday, told of the Nazi scheme to take her as hostage to paralyse Dutch resistance.

She said she decided it was her duty to frustrate attempts by the enemy to take possession of her person as soon as it became apparent that these attempts could not be definitely checked.

After referring to the new duties which she had assumed, the Queen added: "Assisted by my Government I shall try to acquit myself in this task.

"Je maintiendrai (I shall maintain) is the motto of my dynasty.

"That tradition which I could not worthily nor effectively carry on as a captive of the enemy I shall for ever cherish and hold high."—Reuter.

U.S. TO TRAIN 50,000 PILOTS NEXT YEAR

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

PLANS TO GIVE THE BASIC TRAINING OF PILOTS TO 50,000 MEN IN THE YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, WERE DISCLOSED BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO THE PRESS YESTERDAY.

The President added Congress would be asked for a supplementary appropriation to handle the pilot programme.

Men taking the course would be drawn from schools and colleges, and the many citizens holding pilot's licenses and from men between the ages of 18 and 25 who were not in college but desired a training in aviation.—Reuter.

LORD AUSTIN RETIRES

London, To-day.

The Ministry of Aircraft Production announces that Lord Austin has retired from the chairmanship of the shadow aero-engine committee which he has held since the committee's inception over four years ago.

Mr. W. E. Rootes succeeds Lord Austin. Lord Austin had been largely responsible for co-ordinating the work of the six shadow factories.—Reuter.

BROADCAST HEARD THROUGHOUT U.S.A.

Washington, To-day.

American radio stations cleared the air of programmes for the King's broadcast which was very clearly heard throughout the United States.—Reuter.

RECRUITING DRIVE IN ULSTER

Belfast, To-day.

Lord Craigavon, the Ulster Minister, announces that a recruiting drive is to be carried in Northern Ireland.—Reuter.

R.A.F. CREATES HAVOC BEHIND GERMAN LINES

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE AIR MINISTRY ANNOUNCES THAT INTENSE AIR ACTIVITY ON AN INCREASED SCALE CONTINUED ON THURSDAY, THURSDAY NIGHT AND YESTERDAY OVER THE FIGHTING FRONTS IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM.

Repeated day bombing attacks were made by R.A.F. bombers on enemy columns in the neighbourhood of Arras and Boulogne.

Sorties were made during the night on the enemy lines of communication in north-east France, southern Belgium and the Rhineland.

In north-east France, among targets hit by heavy bombers were military objectives at Bavai and Hirson, where fires were started.

Hits were also obtained on the railway junction at La Capelle.

At Givet, on the Meuse, the marshalling yard and a large transport column were severely damaged.

The railway junction at Beaumont was hit and rolling stock set on fire.

Gembloux Explosion

The junction at Gembloux was also successfully attacked and an explosion seen among a convoy of lorries nearby.

Heavy bombers attacked enemy communications at Emmerich, Cologne, Coblenz and elsewhere.

From these widespread operations six aircraft failed to return.

Our fighters continue to win spectacular victories against the enemy. From reports hitherto received they have shot down or seriously damaged at least 80 enemy aircraft since Thursday morning.

Nazi Losses

Ten fighters are missing but some of the pilots may yet return.

At least 500 aircraft have been lost by the enemy in France and Belgium during the last week, making a total of over 1,500 enemy aircraft lost since the invasion of the Low Countries.—Reuter.

CONTROL OF INDUSTRY DOWN UNDER

Canberra, To-day.

The Australian Prime Minister announces that the Director-General of Munitions and Supply has the whole of Australia's industry at his disposal.

He can act without precedence, his task being to ensure maximum production in minimum time. There are no restrictions placed on him and he holds the widest authority.

Nine Communist newspapers have been banned in Australia; they were used as "whisperers in the military forces."—Reuter.

TOWNSEND SILVER BILL TO BE BURIED

Washington, To-day.

Leaders of the House of Representatives have agreed to return the Senate-approved Townsend Silver Bill to the Senate next week, thereby probably burying it for the remainder of the session.—Reuter.

H.K. BILL TO IMPROVE LABOUR CONDITIONS

An ordinance repealing the Minimum Wages Ordinance of 1932 and providing machinery for fixing minimum wages, determining normal working hours, and fixing overtime rates in trades where wage standards are unreasonably low, is gazetted in draft to-day.

It is pointed out that the Minimum Wage Ordinance, 1932, which made provisions for fixing minimum wages in occupations where the wages paid are unreasonably low, has never been invoked.

It is a short and simple ordinance. It does not appear to envisage the fixing of any wage other than a minimum time rate, and it contains no reference to piece rates or hours of employment.

For the purpose of necessary inquiry and report it provides for the appointment of a Board of Commissioners consisting of five persons of whom one shall be a judge or magistrate who shall be Chairman of the Board.

No machinery is provided for enforcing the payment of any minimum wage fixed under the Ordinance.

Home Act Followed

The present Bill follows closely certain provisions of the Trade Boards Acts 1909 and 1918. Power to fix minimum wages remains with the Governor in Council, but a Trade Board on which employers and employees shall be equally represented together with members of the public is substituted for a Board of Commissioners as the machinery for inquiry and report, in each case. In pursuance of the policy of encouraging the organization of responsible trade unions it is considered desirable and feasible that representatives of workers should function as members of these Trade Boards and learn in practice the advantages of conciliation and arbitration.

Provision is made for the fixing of time rates, piece rates, and overtime rates. Payment by piece rates is common in local industries.

Following the Home Acts, adequate provision is made for the enforcement of approved minimum rates, but the Labour Officer's consent to prosecution is required.

The Bill was prepared by Mr. H. R. Butler, when acting as Labour Officer.

UNITED STATES SEEN AS AN ALLY

Moscow, To-day.

The "Komsomols Kaya Pravda" contains an article entitled "The non-belligerent ally of England and France," which deals with the present attitude of the United States towards the war.

The article mentions among the effects in America of the recent German advance the call by the United States authorities for a great increase in armaments and the campaign for granting credits to the Allies.

Leading Democrats and Republicans are said to be at one in their sympathy for the Allies and the situation resembles that preceding the entry of the United States into the last war, with the only difference that the tempo is faster.—Reuter.

FACING THE FACTS

Washington, To-day.

Declaring that "the people ought to face the facts," the Senate naval committee has declined to suppress testimony by Rear-Admiral J. H. Towers, Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, to the effect that of the Navy's 1,367 combat planes, only 192 are less than a year old.

The others, said Admiral Towers, ranged up to seven years old.

Senator Byrd said that on the strength of this testimony he estimated that only about 500 of the Navy's machines could meet modern European planes in equal combat.—Reuter.

PRAYERS FOR VICTORY

Singapore, To-day.

Special prayers were said yesterday in the Malay state of Kedah for the speedy victory of Britain and her Allies.—Reuter.

Cairo, To-day.

Prayers for the Allies were said at Mosques yesterday. The preachers urged the congregations to prepare for a jihad (holy) war and to be ready to sacrifice all for the Allied cause.—Reuter.

MAISKY CALLS AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE

London, To-day.

The Soviet Ambassador, M. Ivan Maisky, called at the Foreign Office last night.—Reuter.

HONOURS LIST POSTPONED

London, To-day.

It is officially announced that publication of the Honours List which would in the ordinary course have taken place on June 13, the day appointed for the observance of the King's birthday, is necessarily postponed for a few weeks owing to the change in administration.—Reuter.

SOUTHAFRICA IN STRUGGLE TO THE END

—GEN. SMUTS

Johannesburg, To-day.

The Premier, General Smuts, speaking at a civic banquet in his honour on his 70th birthday, uttered a warning that the Government would deal with Fifth Columnists; he also referred to South Africa's fine response to the call for volunteers.

General Smuts declared the world would be much poorer at the end of the war. There would probably be unprecedented impoverishment after the most colossal destruction in history.

The Germans lost the last war despite their matchless military machine because of psychological defects which remained unchanged and which will once more defeat Germany.

Nazi fanaticism may call forth a no less fierce and determined fanaticism on the other side, and to the moral factor will be added the religious factor.

South Africa, he said, will be in the struggle to the full and to the end.—Reuter.

CANADA'S STEPS AGAINST FIFTH COLUMN

Ottawa, To-day.

The Canadian Government has taken all possible precautions against "Fifth Columnists."

The Minister of Justice has announced that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police are in control of the situation and that all known enemies of the State have been interned.—Reuter.

MOSLEM PRESIDENT'S VIEWS UNCHANGED

Delhi, To-day.

The President of the All-India Moslem League yesterday reiterated his conviction that the only solution of the Indian problem lies in the formation of independent Moslem states in the north-west and east zones of India.—Reuter.

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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

HITLER'S GAMBLE

The magnitude of the gamble upon which Herr Hitler has embarked now stands out plain for all to see. The reckless manner in which he has been throwing his armies into the field, and the enormous losses which have been inflicted upon them in men, and material support the opinion expressed by Mr. Alfred Duff Cooper that he is staking his all on the battle which is now being fought. Should he lose it, he will have lost the war; should he win it he will have merely won the first round, for the Allies are still prepared and well equipped to continue the struggle. It is reported from the United States that Der Fuehrer's present plan is to attempt a drive on Paris, and if he captures the French capital to offer France a separate peace, and then devote himself to the destruction of Great Britain. If that is indeed in his mind it is indicative of how completely mistaken he is regarding the French, and the realistic outlook they have upon the whole matter. Apart from her undoubted loyalty to the Allied cause, of which there can be no question whatever, France clearly understands what sort of peace that would be, for it would merely mean the postponement of Herr Hitler's attentions while he sought to deal with Britain; after which the peace he would have offered France would become just as worthless as so many of his other undertakings. Herr Hitler would dearly like to separate the Allies, and deal with them piecemeal, but that opportunity will be denied him. Indeed he may never reach such a position from which to prosecute such a scheme, for already there are signs that the German armies are in danger of overreaching themselves, the German attacks in France being reported as of not so great violence as previously. Whether that results from the strenuous activities of the Allied air forces behind the German lines is not clear, but in any event it seems that the enemy has been obliged to wait until further reinforcements in men, material have been sent up to repair the great wastage which the Allied resistance to the German onslaughts has created. One of the important factors in the situation is that Herr Hitler is meeting a resistance in the air such as he has not encountered elsewhere, and he is by no means obtaining that walk-over which superior equipment gave him against the gallantry of the Poles. —"N. C. D. N."

PREMEDITATED

Some news reports persist in accepting the Nazis' second-thought contention that the seizure of Norway was caused by Britain's mining of territorial waters. Yet the first Berlin explanation gave a different excuse. The official German note to Norway and Denmark (apparently part of the advance preparations which must have been under way for weeks) made no mention of mines, but claimed the Reich was preventing seizure by the Allies. Manifestly the whole concept of a thrust into Scandinavia was hatched in Berlin long ago. Apparently even the method of sudden drives at key points was outlined.

Hermann Rauschning, in his book, "Hitler Speaks," said that in 1935 the Reichsfuehrer told him:

Protected by the fleet, and with the co-operation of the air force, I shall order a series of unexpected individual exploits. The Swedes will nowhere be prepared to put up a sufficiently strong defence. But even if one or other of these exploits fail, the overwhelming majority of conquer them, but wanted only an strategic points will be held. . . . I should tell them I did not wish to alliance that was entirely natural and would certainly also be openly desired by Sweden if she were not, out of fear of Russia and Britain, withdrawing into a perfectly suicidal neutrality. I should explain that I came to protect them, and so give the friendly elements in the country the opportunity of deciding according to their own free will. Simply substitute Norway and Denmark for Sweden, and here is the project. An additional feature, the "Trojan Horse" plan of undermining resistance from within, which explains some of the things that happened in Norway, was outlined at the same time. Even the offer to "protect" was prepared. Other neutrals may read it with interest. They may have also — particularly Sweden — some new ideas about "a perfectly suicidal neutrality." —"Christian Science Monitor."

ONLY NEUTRALS HAVE FEAR

The French people suffered in the 1914 war more than any other nation. They had 3,000,000 people killed or wounded, they had their country invaded, their houses bombed, their forests destroyed, their fields turned into battlefields. They have more reasons than anybody, than any other nation in the whole world, to hate war, to despair over the coming back of such horrors. Eighteen months or two years ago, when the threat was coming nearer, you could hear some French people say: "Let's avoid this, by all means. I don't care. I want to die in my bed." Because French people are only human beings.

And then the time passed. And we quickly understood that we couldn't cheat, not even for a short time, on the law of sacrifice—sacrifice for our sake and for the sake of others—which is one of the fates of our country. That we couldn't cheat in our responsibilities, dreadfully heavy ones, in Europe and in the world.

We discovered that peace at any price is no peace at all, that the black-mailing was going on, the oppression was going on, the conquest of Europe was going on, that life at any price has no value whatever; that life is nothing without the privileges, the prizes, the rights, the joys which make it worth living, and also worth giving. And we also discovered that there is something more hideous, more atrocious than war or than death; and that is to live in fear. When danger threatens you, fear, inaction, are no solutions at all, if you go back one single step, the whole world becomes suddenly too small for you to find a place to hide and feel secure.

Having to choose, last September, between defending or not defending our very conception of life, we chose to defend it and make it win. And, from then on, fear suddenly disappeared, and left us. I don't pretend that we are happy; frankly, there is nothing to be happy about. But in a way, we are relieved. At the present time, fear is not with the belligerent nations any more, with the countries which are fighting, which are menaced. There is no fear in Britain; in France, probably no fear in Germany. Extraordinarily enough, fear has gone somewhere else—to the countries which are not fighting, which are not menaced, to the countries that are at peace. —Milo, Eve, Curie, as quoted in the "New York Herald Tribune."

BRITISH TROOPS' DOGGED FIGHTS IN NORWAY

SOLDIERS GIVE FIRST FULL STORY OF RETREAT

From GEORGE L. STEER

A North British Coast Town, May 10.

I HAVE HAD the opportunity to talk with officers and men of the Aandsnes force after their return from the expedition to Norway, and I am able to piece together the history of their short war.

The story begins at Aandsnes, a little town with a jetty for tourist steamers, at the head of the steep and narrow Romsdalsfjord, and terminus of a railway and road to Dombaas.

Dombaas, a railway junction south of Trondheim, was a place of vital strategic importance if we were to prevent the German relief of that city.

Royal Marines had been in occupation of Aandsnes when on the night of April 18 Brig. Morgan arrived with a Territorial Brigade.

The disembarkation was executed without loss, and a detachment was posted forward to arrive at four a.m. the next day at Dombaas, thus shielding the rear of the Norwegian army under Gen. Ruge.

These Allied forces were at this moment fighting a desperate action, short of ammunition, south of Lillehammer, about 140 miles from Aandsnes; Gen. Ruge was enormously relieved to hear that the British, for whom he had been waiting several days, had arrived. He asked for immediate aid.

AWAITING HELP

Although the brigade had been sent simply to hold Aandsnes before stronger units arrived, that aid was sent, and this was the most admirable decision of the campaign, for it saved the Norwegian Crown and Government.

But the brigade could not move south down the Gudbrandsdal valley at once. German paratroopers, about 150 in all, had been dropped a few miles south of Dombaas at Dovre, where they made merry with the road and rail in the narrow valley for 24 hours before they were mopped up by Norwegian patrols.

A hundred were captured or killed, and 50 escaped over the hills. Some were found dead with parachutes unopened and point blank bullet wounds in their bodies, suggesting indiscipline in the air.

On April 20, using Norwegian transport, Brig. Morgan's force reached Lillehammer, down a valley which became more and more snow laden as one moved south. At Dombaas there were only patches of white, with warm days in which sheepskin jackets were thrown aside, and icy nights when they were searched for again.

Down south, where the valley with its road, rail and frozen streams was at its fightable widest half a mile across, the sides of the hill were packed with snow often man-high, and there were frequent woods.

ALMOST AT LAST GASP

The Norwegians at Lillehammer were found almost at their last gasp, lacking artillery and medium machine-guns entirely and with anti-tank weapons issued to his unit for the first time, Brig. Morgan was obliged to assist their withdrawal. The front, however, was untenable.

Our troops were pushed back, mainly by aviation—for by this time the Germans had not yet brought up an important mass of artillery. On April 21, 22 and 23 the Territorial brigade and its Norwegian ally fought three fierce actions against rather superior enemy forces.

They had fallen back to Kvam, a little village at a right-angle turn of the valley halfway on the road to Dombaas, where the front was taken over by the Regular brigade newly arrived from Aandsnes.

It was a restricted battlefield and one battalion at a time undertook the defence of the valley, fighting on a two-company front. The Norwegian regulars, who had been fighting in Gudbrandsdal, were now withdrawn, but Norwegian ski patrols were active on either flank in the hills and woods.

We had received anti-aircraft at this time, consisting of a R.A. Bofors unit, which deployed one gun to every three miles of communication. But the Germans had brought up 5.9in. guns, which outranged our infantry weapons completely and were able to hammer our anti-tanks at point blank.

REGULARS FOUGHT ON

Still, the regular brigade fought doggedly on. Dombaas was flattened out behind them; Aandsnes was battered and burned by a steady stream of German aircraft.

Battalion by battalion they fell steadily back towards Dombaas. Here, receiving Norwegian guns—75mm—they inflicted a heavy defeat upon the advancing German battalions, whose mechanisation and motorisation were plodding the road at their usually justified but incautious distance from the front line.

The column was broken up, and what is believed to have been a German brigade staff was shot down to a man by British infantry at 500 to 600 yards range. The enemy retired in haste, but our force had already been badly mauled.

The following week-end evacuation was ordered from London.

The condition of the troops as a result of aerial bombing and outflanking operations was the primary cause. The secondary

cause was the fear that the Aandsnes base would be totally destroyed by aviation.

It was decided to entrain at Dombaas at night. The manoeuvre, like all reconnaissances of defensive positions up the valley and much of the intelligence work, was done in person by Major-Gen. Paget, for whose energy and subtlety in action his troops have nothing but the highest praise.

The Norwegians, despite bitter disappointment, gave their co-operation to the withdrawal in what is described as a truly gallant and noble way.

The withdrawal was a nightmare. A few miles west of Dombaas the train was derailed either by sabotage or as a result of bombing and the engine drivers were killed.

The men had to detrain and to march 17 miles in the only dark hours of northern nights, from 11 to three a.m., when they reached the tunnel.

SHELTERED IN TUNNEL

Here they sheltered for a day. The German aircraft bombed one end of the tunnel, filling it with smoke, which drove some of the soldiers out; miraculously they were unnoticed by the German aviation. Next night another train came up from Aandsnes and took them down to the fjord.

The Royal Engineers held up the enemy; when their dynamite ran out they used depth charges to excellent effect on the bridges of Norway. Certain units are said to have marched for five days, during which their officers were unable to snatch a moment's sleep.

On the afternoon of April 29 the Germans had bombed Veblungsnes, a village across the fjord from Aandsnes, with about 100 incendiary projectiles. The place was a furnace, lighting up the whole waste of water.

That night the brigades stood on the rickety jetty of Aandsnes, brightly illuminated by flames, wondering whether they would be bombed inland. But the Germans never came.



Worthy successor to "The Thin Man" is "Another Thin Man" which starts a run at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres to-day. Above are William Powell and Myrna Loy in a scene from the show.

So the brigades embarked without loss and went out of the fjord in the darkness escorted by the Royal Navy, the detonations of whose depth charges were heard on either side as they settled accounts with two enemy submarines.

KING SAILED NORTH

The Norwegian King, Cabinet and Gen. Ruge had been taken aboard a British cruiser and were heading for the north. That was the end of our fortnight's expedition to Central Norway.

All officers and men of this expedition to whom I have spoken were disappointed in the fighting skill and spirit of the German infantry; they found that they did not like real contact.

In their view they were worse than the troops of 1914-1918. The only arm that really impressed them was the German aviation.

The Germans owed their victory to the overwhelming disparity of arms and the inability of the British to reply.

The weapons on either side were these: British: Service rifle, Bren gun, French anti-tank gun, anti-tank rifle, mortar.

Anti-aircraft were introduced a little later and at Dombaas the Norwegian 75mm. guns were extremely effective. At the time evacuation was ordered some 25 pounders had arrived in a British store ship at Aandsnes. But they lay at the bottom of the ship under transport vehicles.

The limited jetty space prevented anything more than a small proportion of the latter from being disembarked before daylight came and with daylight the bombers.

German: Service rifle, "Tommy gun" or machine pistol, medium machine-gun, mortars (reported to be 4in.), armoured cars, tanks (medium with gun and light with machine-gun), 5.9in. guns, bombing and fighting aircraft.

In the narrow Gudbrandsdal these weapons fought it out. It was the German artillery which drove our line back, destroying anti-tank guns and opening the road for the German mechanised column. The aircraft were used to depress the troops and to tear at the lines of communication.

But the element of advance against the Regular Brigade was artillery. Bringing up their 5.9in. guns to just beyond 2,000 yards range, the Germans could plaster our anti-tank guns in full view, and out of danger, as well as Bren gun posts.

This enabled progress of the mechanised columns; then the mortars came into play.

GERMAN TANK LOSSES

Nevertheless, Germany lost a fair number of tanks. At Kvam, where the establishment of artillery in the nook of the valley was difficult, seven tanks were destroyed in a day.

And as they moved up the valley the cumulative effect of R.E. demolitions began to work—tanks dropped behind, and only machine-gun motor cycles and light transport could push on.

Meanwhile German aircraft, Heinkel 111 bombers and Messerschmitt single and two-engined fighters, maintained a steady campaign on communications and individual cars, anti-aircraft guns (of which they hit only a couple), bases and troops.

The biggest aerial unit seen in operation was 12 planes, but commonly they came in anything from one to five. Their technique was continuity, and they liked, in the absence of anti-aircraft fire, to fly low and reconnoitre two or three times before attack.

They were over Aandsnes all day from 10 a.m. to 5 or 6 p.m., slipping in quietly along the fold of the mountain, although British sloops took a steady toll of two to three planes daily.

Their paratroopers, who carried machine-pistols, only caused minor disturbance.

The scarcely impeded work of the German aviation over communications and troops definitely had a moral effect.

I have spoken with a young despatch rider who worked on the Lillehammer road—a Welshman. He said that the German bombers flew at 15 yards above him to machine-gun him, and that eventually he was blown off his motor-bicycle by a bomb dropped beside him. "You were risking your life every run."

A company commander told me that his men said, "If we only had a few planes of our own we could beat them any day." His battalion had, in fact, brought down three low-flying Nazi aircraft with Bren guns, and a neighbouring anti-aircraft battery had shot down three more in a day.

Casualties due to bombing were small, but the shock effect was much greater. And so it was this unanswerable weapon in German hands which obliged evacuation.

On the few occasions when the Germans actually went into the infantry attack they sprayed bullets from machine-pistols slung round their right shoulders, instead of throwing hand grenades in the last 20 yards—but their attack lacked "bite."

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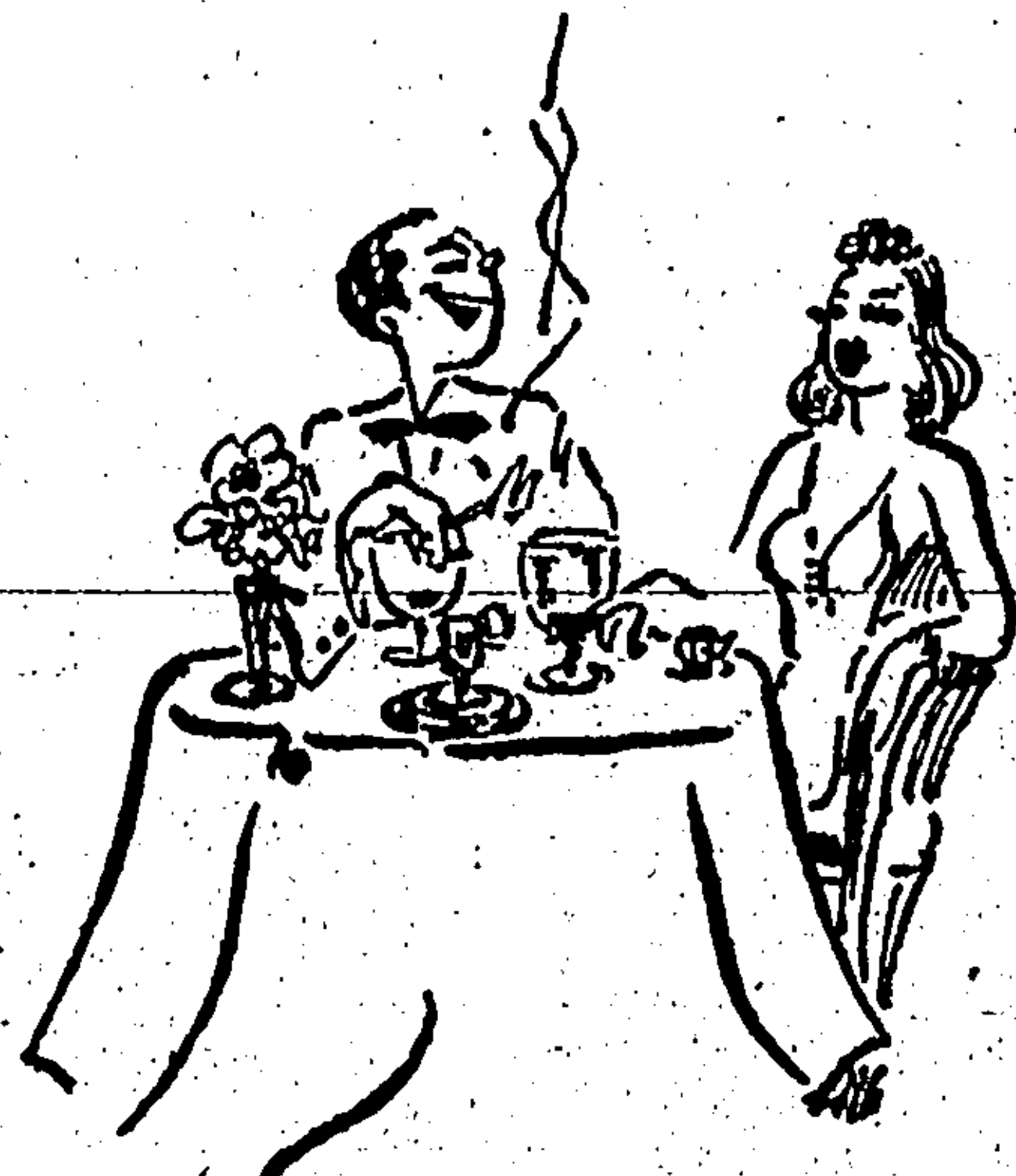
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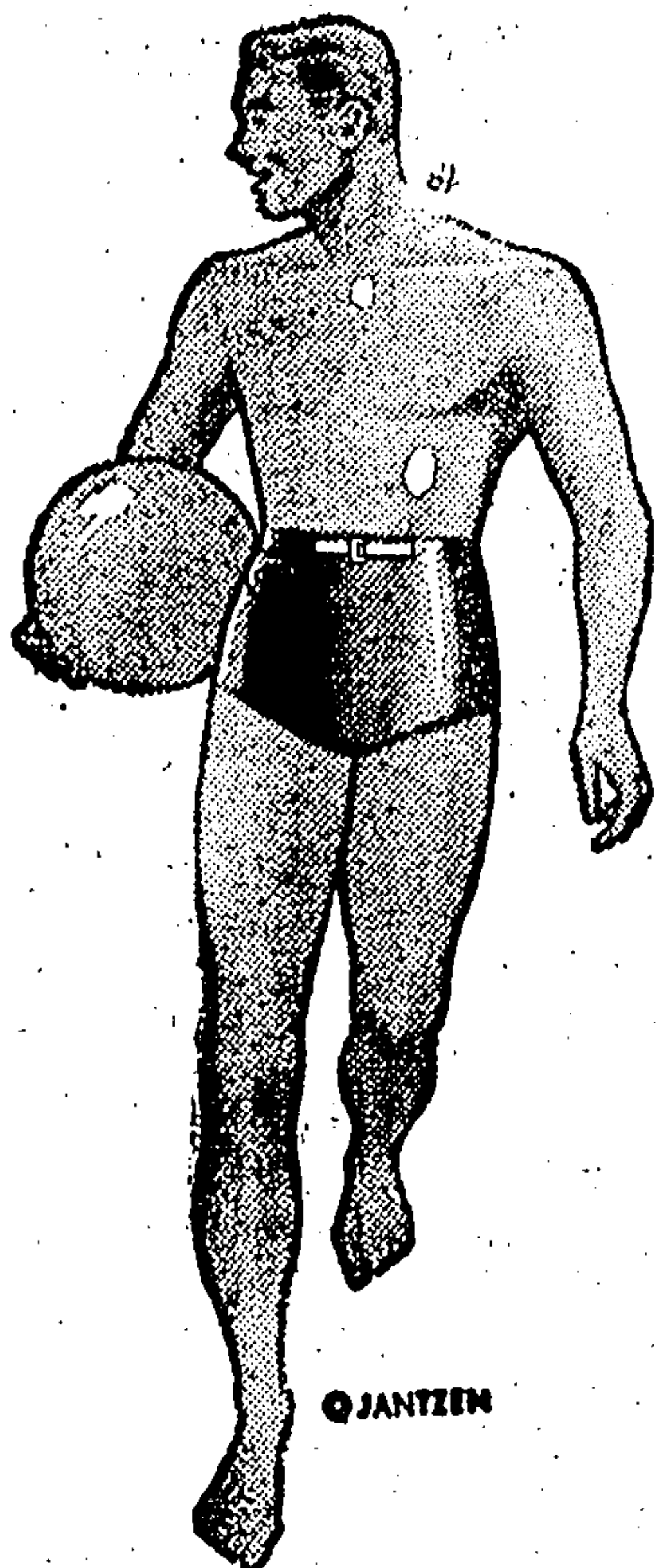
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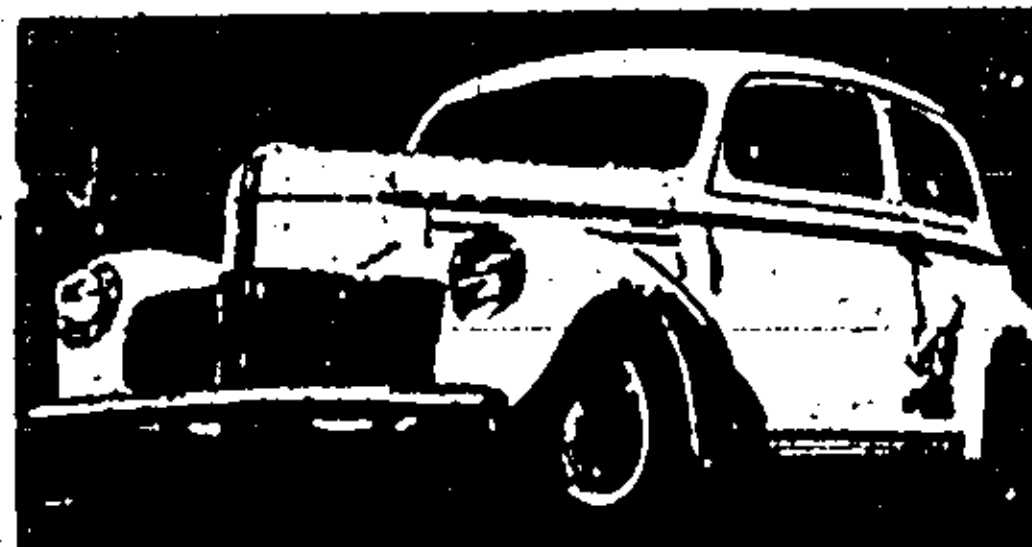


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WHY WAS SIR ROGER CASEMENT HANGED FOR TREASON?

THE honours list in the year 1911 included, among those upon whom the honour of knighthood was conferred, the name Roger Casement. Handles are commonly regarded as highly desirable embellishments to a man's name, but for the tall, slim, frail man, with the vandyke beard and brooding blue eyes, the type of the newspaper that morning conveyed to him news not altogether of unalloyed pleasure.

During the long years he had served his Britannic Majesty as Consul in far places, Roger Casement never aimed at nor desired this mark of royal favour. If he had spent himself freely, even recklessly, it was because a deep love of his fellow man animated him, while righteous wrath was his constitutional response to cruelty, and pity for suffering.

There had been the Equatorial African phase. First the chance meeting with the American General Sandford, the sealed pact under that humid sun, and the plunge into the unknown. Those were the days when a long-bearded monarch sat in Brussels and raked in vast wealth wherewith to maintain a European seraglio.

Casement followed on the heels of Sandford through those dim villages of the rubber forests where human life seemed, under the Belgian tyranny, of less value than the mosquitoes that feasted day-long upon the blood of man.

Then he went to America, and from hundreds of platforms told the people of the Great Republic the truth about the source of this new and essential raw material of the modern industrial world. The British Government took notice. Casement was appointed travelling commissioner in the Nigerian Protectorate. He advanced in the service until he became Consul in the Congo State.

The very word Congo became one of horror throughout the world when Casement's reports came through, and it had been then that he had received his first mark of State recognition, the C.M.G. Now it was a knighthood, and he asked himself what would his Irish friends have to say. Later that morning, writing to Dublin, he wrote: "Many in Ireland will think me a traitor." For a man of his code, what word could so well express contempt?

When the British Government reckoned that Casement's work in Africa was done, it transferred him to another plague spot. While he was serving as Consul-General at Para, Casement heard the first stories of what was taking place in the green hell of the Putumayo. It was the Congo horror all over again: but even worse. Casement, his pen blistering with wrath, got the facts, the names, and the records, and made them known.

After six long years he returned, and there came this honour. But with the honour came a dark thought: Was the horror of the Putumayo really stamped out? Until he could feel completely and utterly sure of it, Casement knew that he could know no rest, draw not even one instalment of his pension in peace.

A month later Casement sailed once again for South America. A further two years passed before he could feel satisfied and retire. He returned to Dublin, the city of his childhood. And now began the final phase of one of the most tragic careers in all our history.

Throughout the arduous years of his long service, Casement, a bachelor, had always saved a large proportion of his official salary. This money he set aside for Irish propaganda purposes.

Retired, he felt himself free to add to that monetary donation, the gift of his leisure hours. So began a career of agitation, of work for the cause of Irish freedom from the English yoke.

By 1912 the shadow of war with Germany loomed large already. Casement considered the pattern, ever in flux, of the European scene. Perhaps, he argued, this was the supreme moment in the destiny of his country. Forthwith, he proclaimed his new thesis. "If Germany can beat England," he argued, "then Ireland can shake off the yoke for evermore."

Casement believed that Germany would win the war, and laid his plans accordingly. He made no secret of his sentiments. He spoke, in public and in private, and he wrote, too. Naturally, his activities were

no secret, even if they were matter for bewilderment to his former English friends.

In 1916, a few months before the outbreak of the Great War, Casement sailed for New York to raise funds for munitions for the nationalist Irish Volunteers. Before he left he promised to return with 50,000 rifles. He kept his word. Shortly before the first shot was fired in the war, there was landed at Howth the promised means for the ending of the British yoke.

The consignment was scarcely unshipped before news of it came to the ears of the authorities. In an electric moment the Spirit of Rebellion reared its head. At a demonstration in Bachelor's Row that day, British troops fired on the crowd. Many were killed. The movement for an independent Ireland took a giant step forward.

In New York, Casement awaited news impatiently. It came on a torrid afternoon as he walked the burning pavements of New York. He snatched at a newspaper and stood reading the flaring lines and was

By
George Godwin

thus engaged when a soft voice penetrated to his consciousness.

A stranger was addressing him. He glanced up to see a blond young man with pale blue eyes and the tanned skin of a seafaring man. Casement listened and what he heard was a hard luck story as old as time. Thrusting his hand into his pocket, Casement passed a dollar to the man he now knew as Adler Christensen. "Give me your address and I'll try and find you a job," he added.

Then he turned and went on his way, reading the news of the Howth debacle. Behind him, alert and watchful, followed the Norwegian.

One day, when the British and French armies were fighting with their backs to the wall, and defeat seemed within easily measurable distance, a tall, lean, clean-shaven man with a Dublin brogue, booked in at an Oslo (then Christiania) hotel.

Having made himself comfortable, the visitor told his man-servant, whom he addressed as Adler, and whose Norwegian nationality was obvious, that he could take a walk. Christensen, for it was he, went off and headed for the nearest saloon. No sooner had he entered it than a smiling stranger offered him a drink.

"By the way," remarked the affable stranger a bit later, "weren't you aboard the Oskar II?" Christensen admitted it. "And wasn't there a tall Irishman aboard, dear me, what is his name now?" Christensen said he had no idea and returned to report. It was then clear to Casement that he was already being trailed by the British Secret Service.

Things began to look awkward. And they were to become more so, as Christensen discovered when, in answer to a stranger's invitation to do so, he rang up a telephone number.

He took a car to the address he was given and was told by the man who awaited him that Casement's identity was known as also the object of the expedition, namely, to raise an Irish Brigade from among the captured Irish troops. Christensen decided to have it both ways, took a substantial bribe, but made off to Germany with his master.

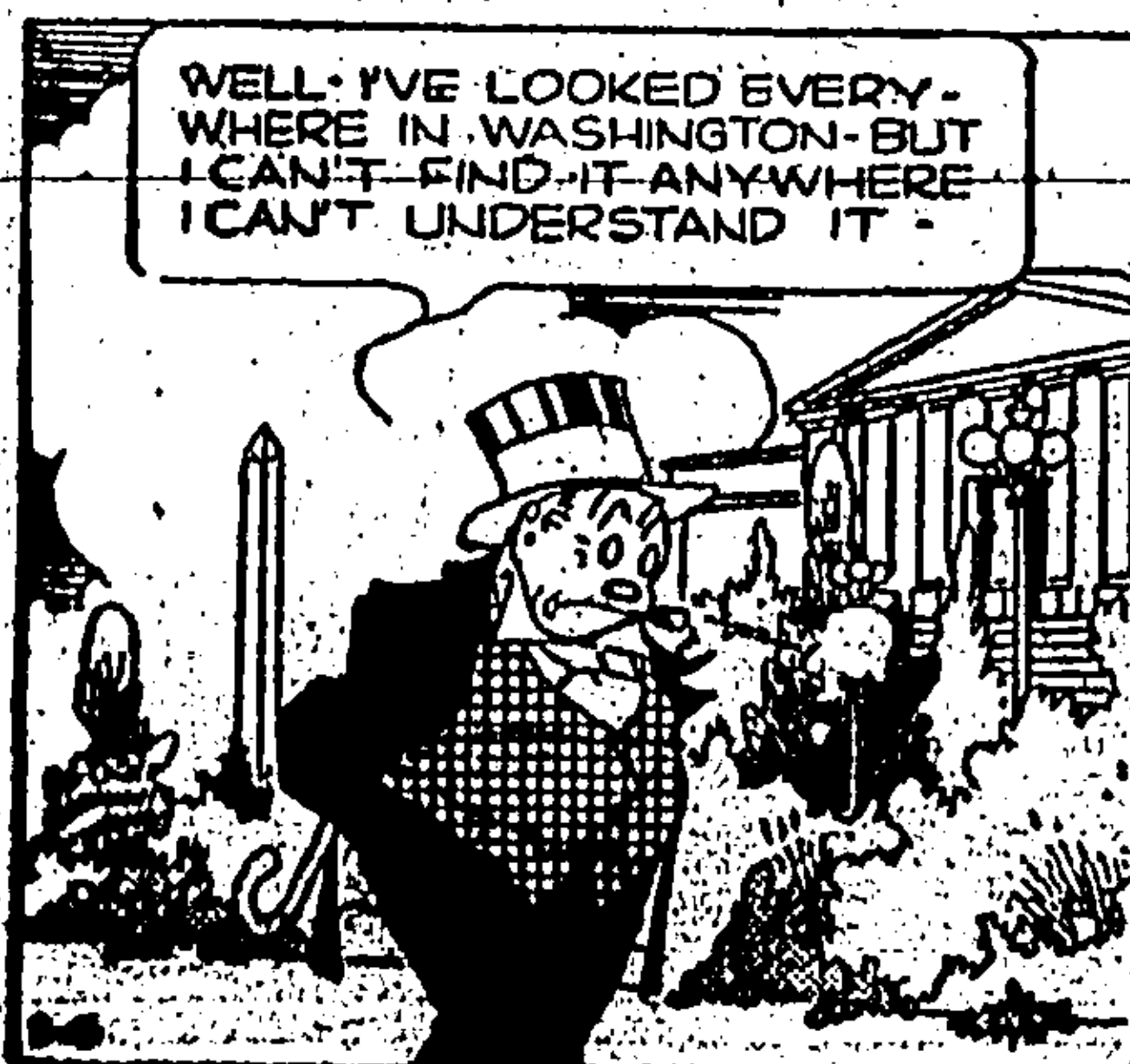
In Germany, Casement was given facilities to visit the Irish prisoners. He entered their camps and harangued them. He expected that they would respond to a man to his eloquence.

Instead, they shouted opprobrious epithets in rough soldiers' vernacular at him. He was stunned by this reception, which was incomprehensible to him. Irishmen standing by England like that! He simply did not understand. But it came near breaking his heart when only a few fellows responded. (These, later, it transpired, did so to obtain their freedom by this ruse de guerre, and a fair one enough).

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Bringing Up Father

By George McManus



SECRET NAZI RADIO IN CAIRO

Cairo, To-day.
The Cairo police have located a secret radio transmitter which was putting out German propaganda. Several foreigners have been arrested and investigations are proceeding.—Reuter.

THE CALL COMES

LONDON, TO-DAY.
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WHY WAS SIR ROGER CASEMENT HANGED FOR TREASON?

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When it became apparent to the German military that this strange Irishman was a military asset of very dubious value, they treated him with scant courtesy.

At this point in our story, there is a blank page. Nothing is known to this day of the movements of Casement after the failure of the Irish Brigade, for he vanished between February, 1915, and April, 1916. Then, with dramatic suddenness, he reappeared.

On the night before Good Friday, 1916, folks at Tralee saw a queer light at sea. Later that night word was passed around that a small boat had come ashore containing three men. The local police soon heard of these mysterious visitors given up by the sea and went in search of them.

So on Good Friday, Casement and a man named Bailey, a member of the ill-starred Irish Brigade (who had achieved his object in getting home) were arrested. Papers were found containing code data regarding war materials. Casement was taken under escort to England to stand his trial.

To stand his trial, most certainly, but upon what charge? That was the puzzle which confronted the Law Officers of the Crown some days later.

The facts were damning enough. For it became clear that Casement had made the voyage from Germany to Tralee in a German U-boat. And, with the scuttling on that same day of the Norwegian ship Aud (who unmasked herself as German on challenge by H.M.S. Bluebell), the final piece was fitted into the pattern.

For the Aud, examined by divers, was found to be loaded with rifles, ammunition and other war material, clearly designed for the Irish rebels. Two days later, the Easter Rising broke out in Dublin. But Casement, locked in his cell, knew nothing of the course of events.

The Attorney-General of that day was Sir F. E. Smith, K.C.—later to become the first Lord Birkenhead. As senior Law Officer, it was his task to frame the appropriate indictment, and in this work he had the assistance of the Solicitor-General, Sir George Cave, K.C., later, also, a peer and Lord Chancellor.

From the legal point of view, the case bristled with difficulties, because the point was raised as to whether any offence at all had been committed by Casement.

Mr. Serjeant Sullivan (still in practice) defended Casement at the historic trial, which was at Bar, before Lord Reading, Lord Chief Justice, and Avory and Horridge, JJ. With Serjeant Sullivan appeared Mr. Artemus Jones and Professor J. H. Morgan, an authority on the Law of the Constitution.

Now Mr. Serjeant Sullivan, at the trial, claimed that since the acts alleged were done outside the realm, the Crown case fell to the ground. But Sir F. E. Smith had gone over all that ground. Indeed, the Law Officers had found it necessary to go right back to the Statute of Treason, 1351, to find a statutory enactment to cover the offence.

The Statute was so old that it was written in Norman-French and was put on the Statute Book at a time when the King of England was also King of France, but was

JAPANESE EXPANSION TO SOUTH

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Tokyo, To-day.

Formosa has become the principal base for Japanese expansion southward since the outbreak of the China war, declared Admiral Seizo Kobayashi, Governor-General of Formosa, to the press on his return here yesterday.

He added that Formosa must be developed for Japan's future advancement in South China and the South Seas.

If the pressure from the continent which prevented Japan's advancement is alleviated, Japan must concentrate on her southward expansion policy.

"I hope to advise the Government in this respect during my visit," Admiral Kobayashi said.

"The development of electric power resources is the most important domestic issue in Formosa. Because of lack of materials such as iron and cement the project cannot be pushed satisfactorily.

"The Government of Formosa would also like to establish a steamship company exclusively for Formosa, taking over ships from the N.Y.K., O.S.K. and other lines now running to Formosan waters."—Havas.

not King of Ireland!

All these points were raised in the defence, which was dramatic by reason of the fame of the prisoner, his haughty and noble bearing, and the collapse which overwhelmed Serjeant Sullivan and resulted in his withdrawal.

That Casement received a fair trial nobody at this time of day would dispute. But where there may be dissent is upon the point of the sentence, which was ignominious death at the hands of the hangman.

One explanation of why the Prime Minister hardened his heart against Casement may be put forward. When the case had gone to the Appeal Court, all London, including Clubland and the House of Commons, was flooded with photographic copies of a diary in what appeared to be Casement's own handwriting.

The diary was a record of perversion over many years. When Redmond was shown it, he withdrew his efforts for a reprieve. That was not logical, of course, for Casement was not convicted and punished for moral offences.

Moreover, he was never given a chance to explain the diary. That he might have been able to do. For, when he sent from the Putomayo a full report of the atrocities there, he sent a copy of a diary of an agent against whom he alleged such offences. It may well have been that manuscript which was put into circulation to prejudice the sentence.

More humane were those famous doctors and writers and clergy, including the Archbishop of Canterbury, who strove to the end to get a reprieve.

Should Casement have had clemency? Nothing would have been lost had he been confined to prison.

But war wears away sentiment, stifles charity, putting in their place a harshness that verges at times on relentless vengeance. It was an England in the psychological state that sent the saviour of the Congo negro and the Indian of the Putomayo to an ignominious death at the hands of the public executioner.



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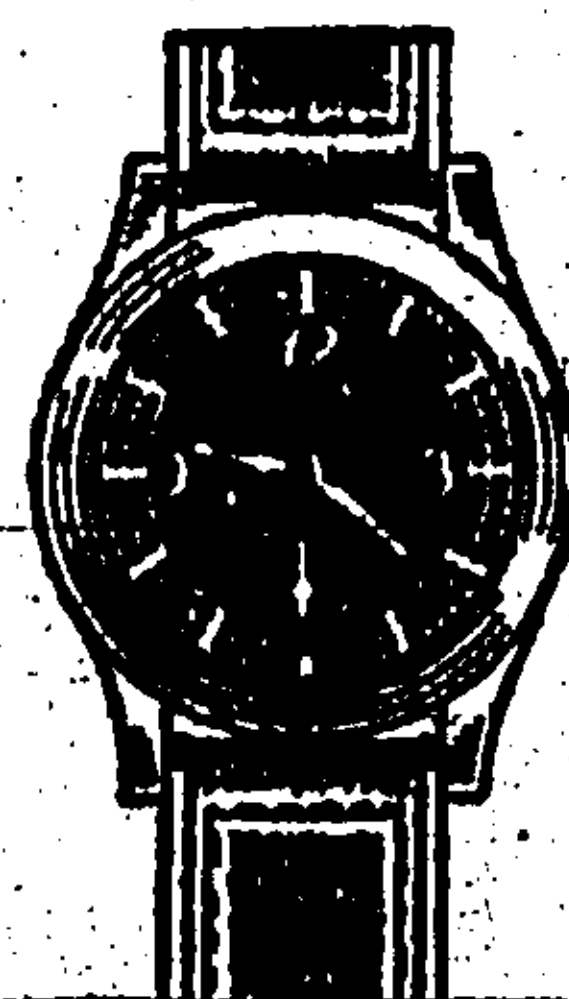


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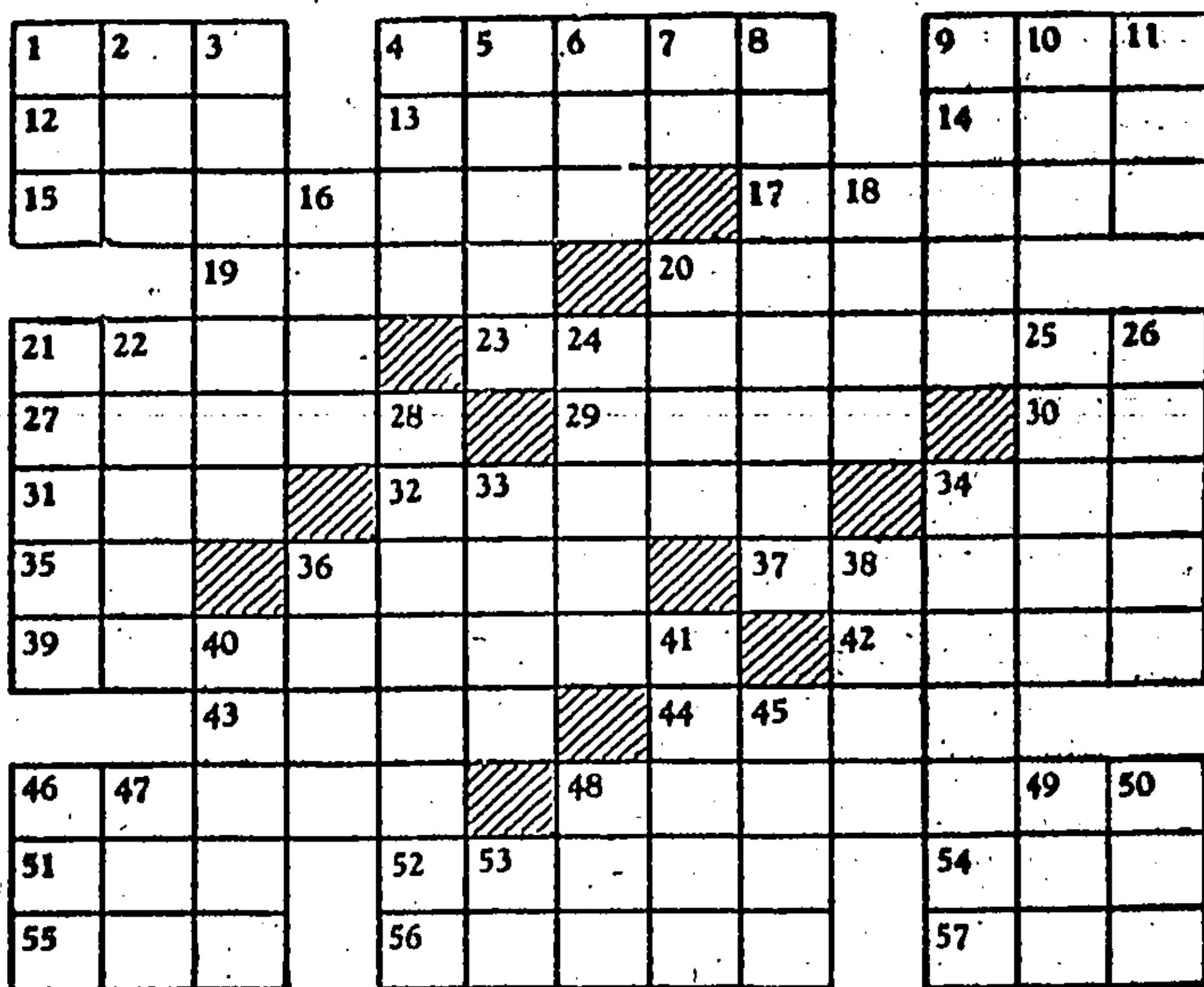
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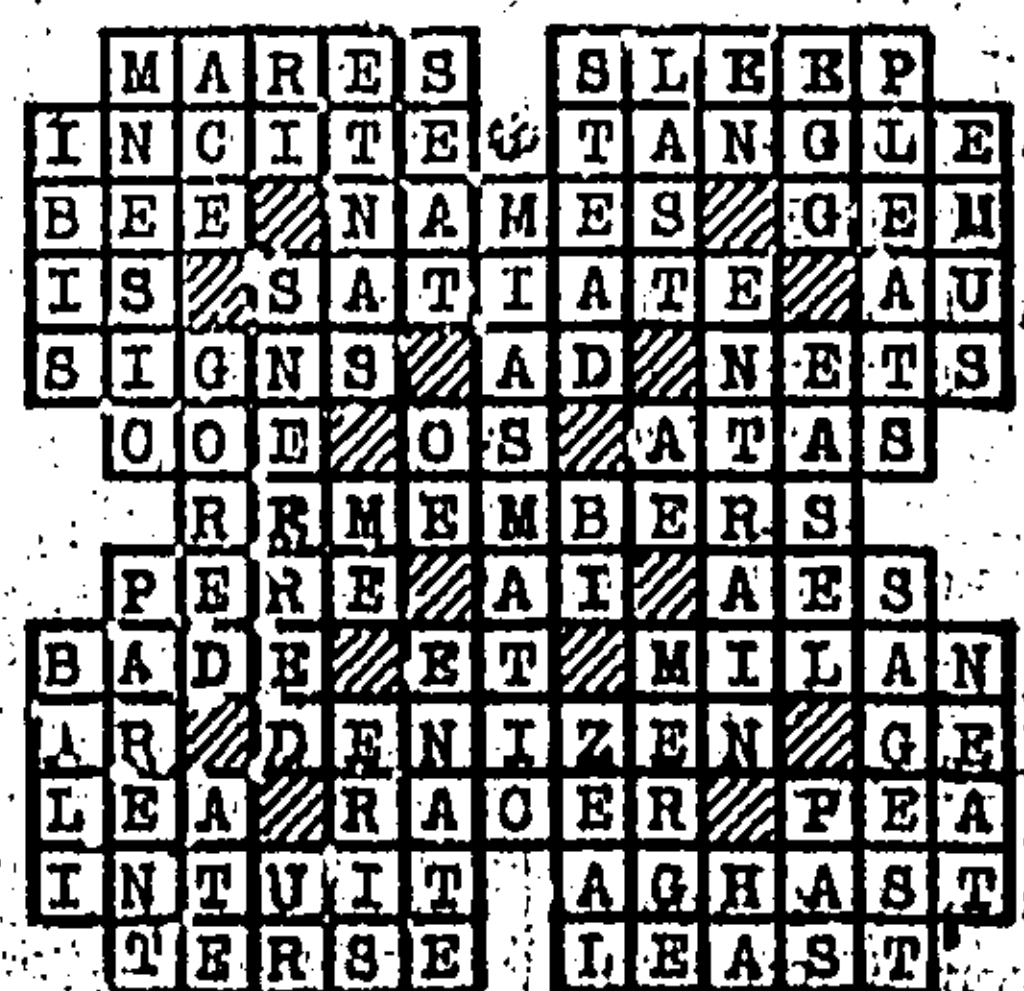
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 21 Seed embryo
 23 Fugitive slave
 27 Ancient story-teller
 29 Custom
 30 Negative
 31 Cheer
 32 Tilled land (Sp.)
 34 Music, as written
 35 Teutonic deity
 36 Anglo-Saxon coins
 27 Fastens
 39 Puts up with
 42 Portion
 43 Farewell
 44 Not written

46 Nacre
 48 Former British rear admiral
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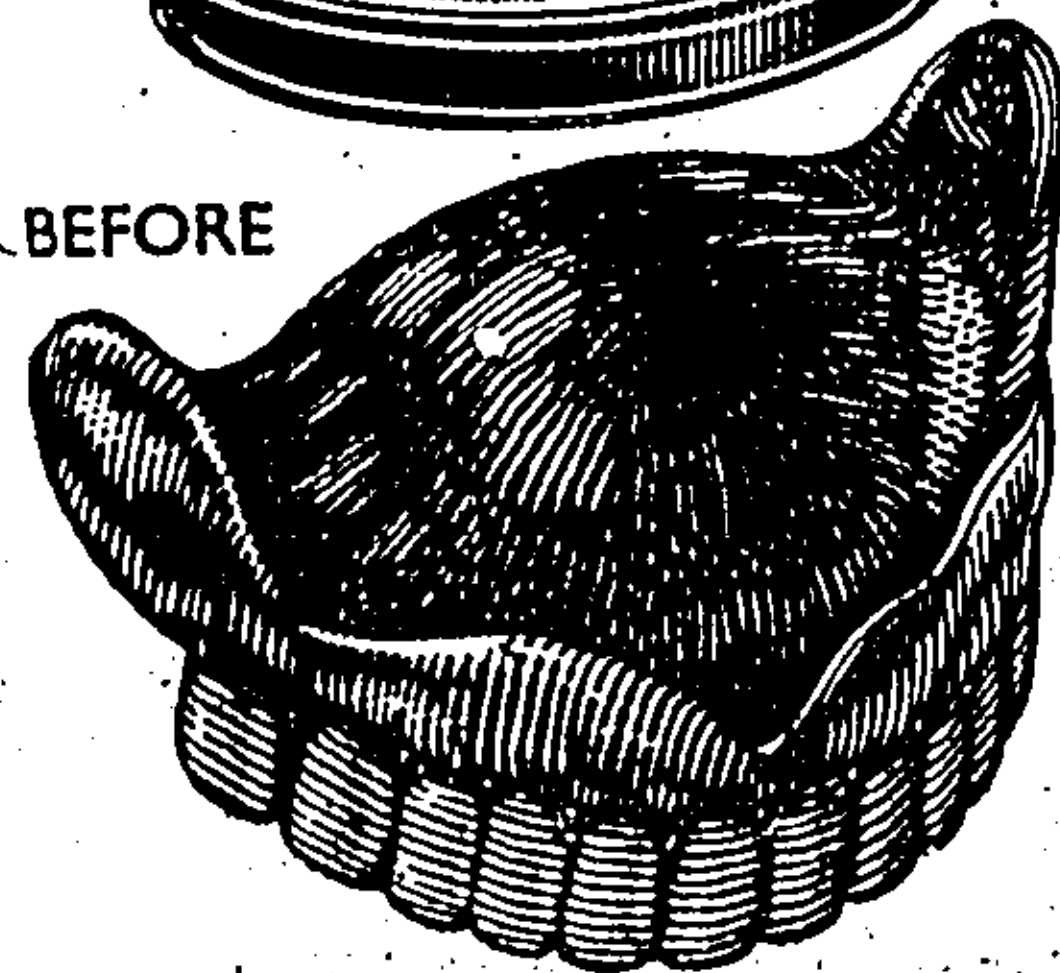
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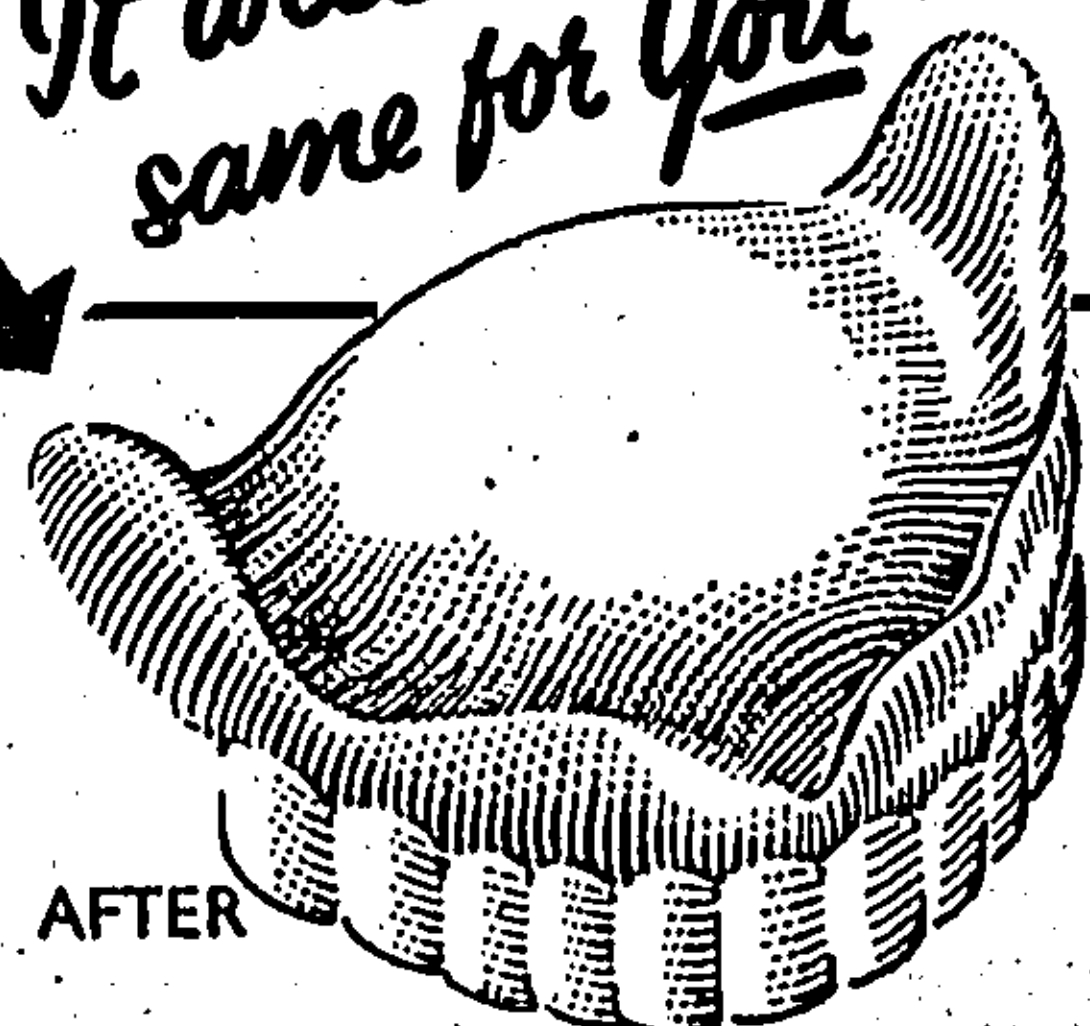
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MISSSES YEUNG AND EARDLEY SHINE

THREE MATCHES WERE PLAYED in Mixed Doubles Division of the Lawn Tennis League yesterday. While the victories of C.R.C. over U.S.R.C. and L.R.C. over K.C.C. "B" occasion little surprise, the complete overshadowing of University by Hong Kong Cricket Club resulted in one of the most extraordinary score-sheets seen for a long time.

For H.K.C.C., L. Goldman and Miss Tylor did not drop a game; for University, C. C. Ma and Miss K. J. Hung failed to win one; in the course of the match no fewer than six of the nine sets won by Cricket Club were won to love and University in all, only managed to secure a total of nine games!

Interesting And Hard-Hitting Match

At King's Park, although C. R. C. won by 6½-2½ they did not have matters all their own way by any means. Most of the game were closely-contested and hard-hitting by the home team was the order of the day.

Outstanding feature of the match was the brilliant form shown by C.R.C.'s, Miss Yeung Wai-bun. Accurate driving on both hands, sound overhead and a good volley when she went in to the net marks her as one of, if not the finest, lady player at present in the Colony.

Her partnership with Paul Kong was an impressive one. Kong in himself, the perfect mixed doubles player, had absolute confidence in his partner with the result that he was able to do his part with far greater effect.

Another player who caught the eye yesterday was Miss Decima Eardley. At the moment her greatest fault, as far as League tennis is concerned, is her impetuosity. A trifle weak on the backhand, she hit a long ball on the forehand with plenty of pace and her service is as aggressive as any lady's in the Colony. Her weakest department is probably her volley.

Theobald gave her every support and this pair played a cheerful brand of tennis which might have met with a great deal more success against less experienced opponents.

Miss Griffiths took some time to find her touch but later settled down to play a fine all court game in which an improved volley was in evidence. Her partner, Todd, was weak on the volley, however, and so this pair did not meet with a great deal of success. Of the other lady players, Miss Reeve was reliable off the ground, as was Mrs. Chiu.

Col. Newnham was very steady, placing all his strokes with studious care, while the C.R.C. men were well up to their usual form.

Cricket Club Ladies Hit Hard

Hong Kong University sustained a severe trouncing at the hands of Hong Kong Cricket Club in their first appearance in the Mixed Doubles League when they were beaten by 9 sets to nil.

University were without the services of George Choa while Monaghan came into the side in place of Fay of the Cricket Club.

Cricket Club men players were far superior to the University men while the lady players of the former club frequently left the University men standing with their return drives.

University's serving was, on the whole, very weak and many doubles were served especially by Ma and Miss J. Hung.

K.C.C. No. 1 Pair's Complete Failure

The failure of Burnett and Miss Harker to win a set was responsible for K.C.C. "B" losing to L.R.C. by 5 sets to 4.

L.R.C. are a very "if" side with Pagh and Mrs. Churchill as their only consistent pair; Zulauf and Mrs. Sturgeon were the best of a mediocre K.C.C. team.

K.C.C. commenced the last round 4-2 down and L.R.C. won when Pagh and Mrs. Churchill beat Burnett and Miss Harker.

K.C.C. "B" v L.R.C.

At Cox's Road, K.C.C. "B" lost to the Ladies' Recreation Club by five sets to four.

G. C. Burnett and Miss Harker (K.C.C.) lost to M. Pagh and Mrs. Churchill 4-6
lost to Capt. C. H. R. Hyde and Mrs. Smedley 3-6
lost to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ferguson 5-7
S. A. Gray and Mrs. Sweeney (K.C.C.) lost to Pagh and Mrs. Churchill 3-6
beat Hyde and Mrs. Smedley 6-4
beat Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson 6-4
E. Zulauf and Mrs. Sturgeon (K.C.C.) lost to Pagh and Mrs. Churchill 5-7
beat Hyde and Mrs. Smedley 6-3
beat Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson 6-3

U.S.R.C. v C.R.C.

At home, the United Services Recreation Club lost to Chinese Recreation Club by 6½ sets to 2½.

R. R. Todd and Miss M. Griffiths (U.S.R.C.) lost to Tsui Yan-pui and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu 2-6
lost to Paul Kong and Miss Yeung 5-7
beat W. C. Hung and Mrs. Lo 6-3
Col. L. A. Newnham and Miss Reeve (U.S.R.C.) drew with Tsui and Mrs. Chiu 6-6
lost to Kong and Miss Yeung 2-6
lost to Hung and Mrs. Lo 2-6
Lt. J. S. Theobald and Miss Decima Eardley (U.S.R.C.) lost to Tsui and Mrs. Chiu 2-6
lost to Kong and Miss Yeung 2-6
beat Hung and Mrs. Lo 7-5

H.K.C.C. v H.K.U.

At Chater Road, Hong Kong C.C. beat the Hong Kong University by 9 sets to 0.

L. Goldman and Miss A. Tylor (H.K.C.C.) beat Dr. C. C. Ma and Miss J. Hung 6-0
beat S. Wong and Miss Patushinsky 6-0
beat T. T. Lim and Miss R. Smalley 6-0
T. C. Monaghan and Mrs. L. R. Andrewes (H.K.C.C.) beat Ma and Miss Hung 6-0
beat Wong and Miss Patushinsky 6-4
beat Lim and Miss Smalley 6-0
T. A. Pearce and Miss J. Armstrong (H.K.C.C.) beat Ma and Miss Hung 6-0
beat Wong and Patushinsky 6-3
beat Lim and Miss Smalley 6-2

ARMY TENNIS

Three further matches in the Army Tennis League were played yesterday, all of them, however, proving one-sided.

Following were the results:—

R.S. v. R.A.

Royal Scots scored their first victory of the season, over the 8th Heavy Regiment, Royal Artillery, in a First Division Army League tennis match at Sookunpoo yesterday after by 6 sets to 3.

Lieut.-Col. MacDougall and Captain Douglas (R.S.) lost to Capt. Hook and Lieut. Skipworth 1-6
beat Sgt. Shirlaw and Sgt. Marsh 6-1
beat S/Sgt. Skinner and Sgt. Osborne 10-8
Capt. Asley and Bdn. Wills (R.S.) lost to Hook and Skipworth 2-6
beat Shirlaw and Marsh 6-1
beat Skinner and Osborne 6-2
Cpl. Duncan and L/Cpl. Glasgow (R.S.) lost to Hook and Skipworth 4-6
beat Shirlaw and Marsh 6-4
beat Skinner and Osborne 6-2

R.A. v. R.A.S.C.

In another First Division League tennis match at Sookunpoo yesterday, the 5th A.A. Battery, Royal Artillery, beat Royal Army Service Corps by 7 sets to 2.

Capt. Ingram and Lieut. Taverner (R.A.) lost to Cpl. Martin and L/Cpl. Logan 3-6
lost to L/Cpl. Young and Pte. Gibbs 5-7
beat Keast and Pte. Walton 6-3
Sgt. Lavis and Sgt. Meeking (R.A.) beat Martin and Logan 6-3
beat Young and Gibbs 7-5
beat Keast and Walton 6-1
Sgt. Morgan and Bdr. Mew (R.A.) beat Martin and Logan 6-4
beat Young and Gibbs 6-0
beat Keast and Walton 6-3

R.A. v. R.A.P.C.

A further match in the First Division Army League tennis was played at Sookunpoo yesterday, when the 35th M.G. Coy., Royal Artillery, lost to the Royal Army Pay Corps by 9 sets to nil.

Major Hunt and Spiller (R.A.) lost to Taylor and James 5-6
lost to Adam and Murray 6-6
lost to Carden and Pinkney 5-6
Lewings and Turner (R.A.) lost to Taylor and James 1-6
lost to Adam and Murray 6-6
lost to Carden and Pinkney 1-6
Graham and Cook (R.A.) lost to Taylor and James 6-6
lost to Adam and Murray 1-6
lost to Carden and Pinkney 1-6

"SKIP'S" FORECAST FOR TO-DAY**FIRST DIVISION**

Recreio "A"	(51)	v	Indian R.C.	(49)
Kowloon C.C.	(62)	v	Craigengower	(53)
Civil Service	(52)	v	Kowloon B.G.C.	(80)
Recreio "B"	(—)	v	Police R.C.	(—)
*H.K. Football Club	(—)	v	Kowloon Dock	(—)

SECOND DIVISION

Craigengower	(79)	v	Kowloon F.C.	(38)
Kowloon B.G.C.	(51)	v	Taikoo Club	(50)
Police R.C.	(68)	v	Kowloon Tong G.C.A.	(65)
Civil Service	(—)	v	*Recreio	(—)
*Kowloon C.C.	(—)	v	*Hong Kong C.C.	(—)

THIRD DIVISION

H.K. Electric	(71)	v	Prison Officers Club	(61)
Craigengower	(—)	v	*Indian R.C.	(—)
*Hong Kong C.C.	(—)	v	H.K. Football Club	(—)
Kowloon B.G.C.	(73)	v	Kowloon F.C.	(39)

Figures in brackets denote the result of the corresponding game last year.
* Newcomers to this division.

TO-DAY'S LAWN BOWLS**K.C.C. CONFIDENT OF BEATING CRAIGENGOWER**

By "SKIP"

IF LAST YEAR'S RESULTS were any criterion, the fixture between Club de Recreio "A" and Indian Recreation Club would appear to be the outstanding match in to-day's lawn bowls programme.

I am sure, however, that the King's Park team, for whom Machado will be deputising for Xavier who is sick, will be able to overcome the Indians quite easily, so the best match should be at Cox's Road where Kowloon Cricket Club entertain Craigengower.

The home team have had to make one change, Willie Hyde coming in for Tommy Madar, who is not available this week. Although not playing in the League regularly Hyde is a very useful lead and his presence will not weaken the team at all. I know that Kowloon are justifiable confident of victory although I cannot conceive a very large margin in their favour.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club have made one change for the visit to the Civil Servants. The latter's reorganised team has not been seen in action yet but will need to do better than that which appeared in the two first games, if it is to reverse last year's result.

Club de Recreio "B" appear to be stronger than they were in 1939 and in spite of their defeat at the hands of Craigengower I have an idea they will get the better of the Police at King's Park. One or two changes have been made in the home team which may lend balance.

Hong Kong Football Club receive a visit from the Kowloon Dock team and a close game should be seen. Much as I would like the Footballers to have the encouragement of an initial win, I have formed the opinion that the team is hardly up to the required standard. It is early in the season to write this and I can only hope my judgment is at fault.

Second Division

Taikoo's visit to Austin Road appears to be the best item on the Second Division programme. The visitors have played two matches to date, both away from home, and have won them. On form they should win again to-day as they have defeated Craigengower, who in turn overcame to-day's hosts at Austin Road.

There was only one shot in it last year, and I think to-day's game will also be close, with the homesters having the edge by reason of ground advantage.

By a coincidence another game which a single shot decided when the teams met, is down for decision to-day. I refer to that between Police and Kowloon Tong. Neither team has won a game yet so there will be a real battle for the points. I think the home team will retain them.

Craigengower and Kowloon Football Club should prove fairly evenly matched though the advantage of playing on their own green may just turn the scales in favour of the Valley team.

Civil Servants have a double-header as Club de Recreio will be alongside Kowloon Bowling Green Club. The visitors are very strong and should have little difficulty in snatching a couple of points.

The old cricket rivals meet in a new sphere of operations with the odds in favour

of the Cox's Road team who entertain L. A. R. Duncan who, with his father, won the doubles some years ago, is skipping a rink and this should strengthen the side I think.

Third Division

The two unbeaten teams in Third Division, Hong Kong Electric and Prison Officers Club, meet at Ming Yuen; the visitors have the more impressive record in their two matches, in spite of two away victories for the Electricians, and I think will win quite comfortably.

Much as I should like to see the Indians win I do not think they will do so to-day when they visit Craigengower.

Hong Kong Cricket Club will no doubt take heart from their victory last week but even at home I do not imagine they can hold Hong Kong Football Club.

There is a local Derby between Kowloon Bowling Green Club and Kowloon Football Club at Austin Road, which match, on form, should result in a victory for the homesters.

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- 1.45.3—Vanity Fair (Ip Kuy-ying, 155); 2, Ascot Day (Chao, 153); 3, Princess Claro (Liang, 153). 3 and 2. 1st E.
- 1.45.3—Ascot Day (Chao, 155); 2, A Great Time (Tao, 158); 3, Sydney Lad (Hearne, 163). 4 and 2. 3rd E.
- 1.46.2—Contact (Davis, 152); 2, Ascot Day (Chao, 155); 3, Busylight (H. M. Botelho, 147). 6 and 1½. A.M.2.
- 1.47.2—A Roaring Time (Wei, 158); 2, Happy Landings (Davis, 152); 3, Pumpernickel (Proulx, 161). 2 and 2. 1st E.
- 1.47.3—Twilight Star (Hearne, 154); 2, Violet Queen (Chao, 155); 3, Discovery Bay (Wei, 150). 2 and short head. A.M.5.
- 1.47.4—Albury (Encarnacao, 155); 2, Sea Jay (Proulx, 155); 3, Maple Star (Tao, 154). 3 and 3. 1st E.
- 1.48.1—Lucky Lady (Hearne, 155) and Amicus Curiae (Gram, 153); 3, Albury (Encarnacao, 155). Dead heat and 1. A.M.2.
- 1.48.3—Shuttlecock (Hearne, 146); 2, Piccadilly Jim (Poy, 155); 3, Income Tax (Liang, 155). 1½ and 1½. 3rd E.
- 1.54.4—Many Thanks (Davis, 145); 2, Lucky Lady (Needa, 155); 3, Rowan (Hearne, 148). Neck and 6. 2nd E.1. Many Thanks was disqualified and Flying Dutchman (P. Botelho, 152) was given third place.
- 1 Mile 171 Yards:—
- 1.58.2—Fair Chance (Proulx, 162); Rowan (Hearne, 162); Income Tax (Liang, 153). 3 and 2. 4th E.
- 1.59.3—Sapper (Davis, 160); 2, Far View (Pih, 165); Sparrow (Yuen, 147). Neck and many. 2nd E.1.
- 1.59.4—Franklin (Needa, 165); 2, Roofly (Davis, 155); 3, Twilight Star (Hearne, 158). 4 and 3. 4th E.
- 2.00.2—Amber II (Chang, 140); 2, Brown Derby (Black, 147); 3, Income Tax (Liang, 160). short head & short head. 5th E.1.
- ½ Miles:—
- 2.10.4—Far View (Pih, 155); 2, Baffin Bay (Hearne, 155); 3, Sapper (Encarnacao, 155). Short head and 2. A.M.5.
- 2.14.1—Lucky Lad (Needa, 154); 2, Baffin Bay (Hearne, 145); 3, Devonian (Black, 150). 1½ and 1. A.M.2.
- 2.15.1—Murrumbidgee (Black, 136); 2, A Roaring Time (Wei, 165); 3, Annabella (Chao, 165). Many and many. A.M.3.
- 2.16.0—Viceroy (Needa, 155); 2, Vanity Fair (Ip, 155); 3, Albury (Encarnacao, 155). Short head and 2½. A.M.4.
- 2.16.3—Baffin Bay (Hearne, 160); 2, Tornado Star (Wei, 148); 3, Lucky Lad (Needa, 160). Short head and short head. A.M.1.
- 2.10.0—Brutus (Black, 158); 2, Discovery Bay (Wei, 145); Twilight Star (S. W. Pan, 149). 5 and dead heat. A.M.2.
- 2.20.4—Murrumbidgee (Black, 150); 2, Sydney Lad (Hearne, 165); 3, Vixen Tor (Davis, 159). 2 and 2. 2nd E.2.
- 2.21.0—Rowan (Hearne, 162); 2, Catterick Bridge (Needa, 144). 2 starters. ½ 5th E.1.
- 1½ Miles:—
- 2.41.4 (record)—Far View (Pih, 155); 2, Sapper (Encarnacao, 155); 3, Amicus Curiae (Marshall, 155). ¾ and 6. A.M.3.
- 2.44.3—Brutus (H. M. Botelho, 145); 2, Sydney Lad (Hearne, 160); 3, Fair Chance (Proulx, 160). Neck & 1½. 5th E. 2.
- 2.48.3—Centre Court (Sung, 155); 2, Ruby Star (Pan, 138); 3, Twilight Star (Hearne, 155). 5 & many. 5th E.1.
- Two Miles:—
- 3.38.2—Amicus Curiae (Tao, 155); 2, Baffin Bay (Hearne, 160); 3, Australian Diamond (Wei, 148). Short head and 2. 3rd E.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

By "SKIP"

ALTHOUGH for the present I do not propose to go into the pros and cons of the postponement of the match between Civil Service Cricket Club and Kowloon Cricket Club last Saturday, the circumstances tend to add weight to my reiterated argument that the Association must fix a time limit for these cancellations.

Unless an exceptionally heavy shower intervenes, as may possibly happen of course, I feel that a decision should be made not later than 1.30 p.m. This would enable the conveners to get in touch with their players and so save them a useless journey.

I put forward as a serious suggestion that the Association ask the management of the Star Ferry Co. to allow a "sports board" to be erected on both their wharves. Notification of cancellation of any sports fixtures, not only bowls, could be posted up by responsible persons and in many cases players would be saved a journey. Of course this would, in theory, rob the Company of a few fares, very few I imagine, but I do not think this would affect the company's decision any more than it would materially affect the shareholders dividends!

The Handbook

THE season began some four weeks ago and many bowlers are wondering when the Association's official hand-book will make its appearance. If the delay will result in a booklet more worthy of the Association than was last year's, then it will be worth waiting for. The last issue was not only poorly printed on cheap paper, but furthermore was full of inaccuracies and omissions.

The Rules

AT the Annual General Meeting of the Association, it was agreed that a new set of rules should be submitted to a full meeting of members for their consideration. One of the aspects requiring attention was the rules for competitions; another was the postponements mentioned above, and yet another the question of teams withdrawing from the League. I had hoped that the rules could have been passed before the competitions were due to commence but it obvious this cannot be so. A great pity!

The Scorers Again

I AM going to make a final appeal to the scorers to keep their cards correctly, and am prompted to do so by studying two sets of cards which I have before me. In one case the home team is recorded as winning by say 20-5 whilst on the other card the visitors had that advantage. Yet both the cards were solemnly signed by both the skips! What a farce this signing is becoming.

In another case the home skip's name appears as Number three on the opposite side!

So I am going to appeal from the Press point of view. Stop to think, when you're having the last one for the road and are discussing how you came to lose; just stop to think of the Press. Do you realise that every name, initial and score has to be typed out before it is given to the composers to set, a task which may take until late in the evening.

So do try to write clearly, give the names and initials correctly and record the proper scores.

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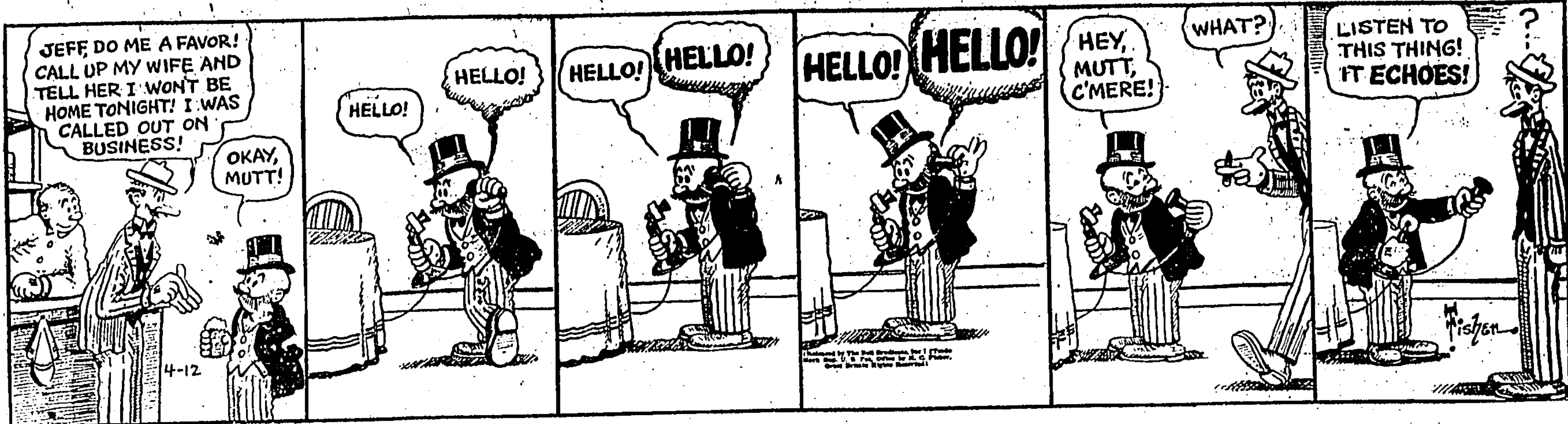
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Frances Langford (Vocal) and Mantovani & His Orchestra.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—The Kentucky Minstrels.
1.13 p.m.—De Groot & His Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Swing Music.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.00 p.m.—Variety with Bing Crosby, Ruth Etting, The Boswell Sisters, & Others.
Vocal—Joobalai (film 'Paris Honey-moon'); You're A Sweet Little Headache (film 'Paris Honey-moon') . . . Bing Crosby with Orchestra.
Piano & Whistling—Medley; Intro: Easter Parade; With every breath

To-day's Wireless

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I take; His Majesty the Baby; June in January; One good tune deserves another; The big bad wolf was dead. . . Ronald Gourley.
Vocal—There's Something In The Air (from 'Banjo on my Knee'); Goodnight, My Love (from 'Stow-away') . . . Ruth Etting with Orchestra.
Yodler—Sitting In A Jail House (Torrani); Dan, Dan, The Yodeling Man (Torrani) . . . Harry Torrani accompanying himself on the Guitar.
Vocal—Let Yourself Go (from 'Follow the Fleet'); I'm Putting All My Eggs in one Basket (from 'Follow the Fleet') . . . The Boswell Sisters with Orchestra.
Orch.—Grandma's Parcel (Rogers-Bond); Macpherson is Rehearsing (Sunshine) . . . The Organ, The Dance Band and Me.
Vocal—Till The Lights of London Shine. Again (Connor-Pola); A Child's Prayer (Thayer-Leycester) . . . Phyllis Robins with Orchestra.
Orch.—The Parade of the Tin Soldiers (Jessel); Prosperity Medley; Intro: Great Day; There's a big day coming; Hallelujah . . . Philip Green & His Orchestra with Male Chorus.
Vocal & Piano—Where or When? (film 'Babes in Arms'); There Goes My Dream (Heneker) . . . Leslie Hutchinson.

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6.58 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.00 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Breaking Athletic Records" . . . A talk by Harold Abrahams.
7.15 p.m.—Military Band Music.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Half an hour with Grieg. Wedding Day . . . Arthur De Greef (Piano).
Norwegian Dance in D Major, Op. 35 . . . Gustave Cloez & L'Orchestra Philharmonique de Paris.
Un Reve . . . Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) with Orchestra.
Peer Gynt Suite No. 2, Op. 55 . . . New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens.
8.35 p.m.—Local sport results.
8.37 p.m.—Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" Intermezzo & Act III. Characters and Soloists in order of appearance:
M. Cheridan (Soprano) . . . Cho-Cho-San.
I. Mannarini (Mezzo-Soprano) . . . Suzuki, a servant.
L. Cecil (Tenor) . . . Lieut. Pinkerton, U.S.N.
V. Weinberg (Baritone) . . . Sharpless, U.S. Consul.
Lomi (Mezzo-Soprano) . . . Kate Pinkerton.
with
Members of La Scala Orchestra and Chorus, Milan.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"The Fol-de-Rols." . . . Written and produced by Grentrex

"Madame
Butterfly"

Newman, Music by Wolseley Charles.
10.0 p.m.—A Programme of Old Dance Favourites.
Fox-Trots—A Broken Doll; Darktown Strutters' Ball . . . Darktown Strutters.
Waltzes—That Naughty Waltz; Missouri Waltz . . . Victor Young & His Orchestra.
Slow Fox-Trot—Moonlight and Roses . . . Henry Jacques & His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.
Quickstep—Margarie; Fox-Trot—Avalon . . . Harry Roy & His Orchestra.
Waltz—Alice Blue Gown . . . Henry Jacques & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—The Sheik of Arab . . . Nat Gonella & His Georgians.
Orchestra.
Rumba—The Lady in Red (film 'In Caliente') . . . Geraldo & His Rumba Orchestra.
Slow Fox-Trot—The Japanese Sandman . . . Joe Daniels & His Hot Shots in "Drumnasticks."
Fox-Trot—Night and Day . . . Tommy Dorsey & His Orchestra.
Waltz—Marie Louise . . . Eddie Carroll & His Music.
Slow Fox-Trot—Tea for Two; Quickstep—Somebody Stole My Gal . . . Joe Daniels & His Hot Shots in "Drumnasticks."
Fox-Trot—Internationalle (film 'Everything in Rhythm') . . . Harry Roy & His Orchestra.
Tango—Marilou . . . The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—Chloe . . . Benny Goodman & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—Sweet Sue . . . Fred Jackson & His Orchestra.
11.0 p.m.—London Relay—"London Log."
11.15 p.m.—New Dance Music.
Quicksteps—It's A Lovely Day Tomorrow; Good Morning (film 'Babes in Arms') . . . Victor Silvester & His Ballroom Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—How Many Times? Oh Johnny, Oh Johnny, Oh . . . Orrin Tucker & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—In The Still of the Night; Riverboat Shuffle . . . The Casa Loma Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—I Want The Walter; My Wubba Dolly . . . Lew Stone & His Band.
Waltz—When Penelope Prim Passes By; Fox-Trot—Safe In My Heart . . . Lew Stone & His Band.
Fox-Trots—If I Only Had A Brain (film 'Wizard of Oz'); If I Only Had A Heart (film 'Wizard of Oz') . . . Victor Young & His Orchestra.
12.00 p.m. Midnight—Close down.



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North, Dealer

Both sides vulnerable

♠ A K Q 6 2
♥ A J
♦ K J 4 3
♣ K Q
♠ J 10 9 5
♥ —
♦ 10 9 8 2
♣ J 8 7 4 3
♠ 8 4
♥ Q 9 7 5 3 2
♦ A 6
♣ A 10 5

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	2♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened the spade Jack. Dummy's Queen won and the Ace of hearts disclosed the bad trump break. South saw that he would have to shorten his own trump holding, and his next move was to cash two diamond tricks, then trump a diamond. Next he led a club to dummy, then played the diamond Jack, which was now high. Refusing to trump, East discarded his remaining spade and Declarer did likewise. The spade Ace was now played upon which East discarded a club. Now South trumped his own trick. A second

club was played to dummy and another spade led.

At this point East hold nothing but trumps. He trumped with the six of hearts and South over-ruffed with the seven. Finally Declarer played the club Ace, which he trumped with dummy's Jack of hearts, and East over-trumped with the King. South's Queen and nine of hearts then won the last two tricks.

Declarer had made his contract by a neat coup which included trumping two of his own Aces.

Yesterday your partner was Mr. X and you held:

♠ K J 9 x x x
♥ A x x
♦ A x x
♣ x

The bidding:

You	Maier	Mr. X	Jacoby
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
(?)			

ANSWER: Your correct rebid is either two or three spades, depending on the nature of your partner, Mr. X. Score 100% for two or three spades, 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 419

You are Oswald Jacoby's partner and again you hold:

♠ K J 9 x x x
♥ A x x
♦ A x x
♣ x

The bidding:

You	Schenken	Jacoby	Maier
1♠	Pass	3♥	Pass
(?)			

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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THE 1940 RACING GUIDE

Following gives all placed ponies in every race, the distance, the time, won by, weight and jockey, and the figure AM1 denotes the first day of the Annual Meeting, 1st E, First Extra Meeting:

China Ponies

Half Mile:

1.05.3—Valorous (Treverton, 155); 2, Radium Star (Hoo Pak-ming, 160); 3, The Tigress (E. K. C. Chui, 168). 1½ and 1½. 2nd E.1.

¼ Mile 170 Yards:

1.02.4 (record)—Spiclight (Moller, 164); 2, Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161); 3, White Diamond (Ph, 158). ½ and many. A.M.3.

1.04.3 (record)—Racyleight (Moller, 161); 2, Possible (Tang Man Wa, 158); 3, White Diamond (Ph, 158). 4 and 2. A.M.2.

1.04.3—Distinctive Time (Wei, 168); 2, Ronson (Poy, 154); 3, Eve of Folly (Davis, 140) and Gay Star (Hearne, 168). 6 and neck. 4th E.

1.06.2—Hillsboro Bay (Needa, 150); 2, Blue Field (Chao, 150); 3, Emergency Unit (Chang, 150). 4 & 1½. 5th E.2.

1.00.3—Ronson (Poy, 168); 2, Hughber (Chao, 159); 3, Oak Bay (Proulx, 163). 1½ & 2. 5th E.2.

1.09.1—Soldier of Britain (Li, 155); 2, Strathbannock (Black, 158); 3, Celtic Star (Proulx, 158). Neck & 1½. 5th E.2.

1.09.4—West Lake (Pan, 155); 2, Sunlight View (Ph, 158); 3, Portrush (Chang, 155). ½ & 1. 5th E.1.

1.11.2—Rose Evelyn (Treverton, 158). 2, Portrush (Yeung Wing-kwai, 151); 3, Wilber (Ho Hong-ping, 150). 1½ and 2. 1st E.

1.12.0—Palmer (Wei, 153); 2, Lucky Eleven (Liang, 147); 3, Arabian Cat (Black, 150). ¾ and ½. A.M.5.

1.12.0—Emergency Call (Black, 151); 2, Valorous (Hearne, 144); 3, Golden Cow (Liang, 149). head & head. 5th E.1.

Six Furlongs:

1.21.2 (record)—Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161); 2, Craigavad (Encarnacao, 161); 3, Eve of Folly (Proulx, 158). 6 and many. A.M.4.

1.22.4 (record)—Spiclight (Moller, 161); 2, Craigavad (Liang, 161); 3, Possible (Wei, 158). 6 and ½. A.M.1.

1.23.1—Eve of Heaven (Marshall, 158); 2, Humdrum Eve (Ph, 151); 3, Lilliber (Gram, 152). 2 and dead heat. A.M.2.

1.23.3—Dupont Bay (Black, 161); 2, Possible (Tang Man-wa, 158) and White Diamond (Ph, 158). 2½ and dead heat. 1st E.

1.25.1—Smashing Through (Chang, 140); 2, Eve of Folly (Black, 152); 3, Attacking Time (Wei, 158). 2 & 1½. 5th E.2.

1.25.2—Lancashire Lass (Chao, 154); 2, Oak Bay (Needa, 146); 3, Peaceful View (Ph, 156). 1½ and 1. A.M.2.

1.20.1—White Diamond (Ph, 156); 2, Hopeful Star (Hearne, 159); 3, Oonagh (Needa, 150). 4 and 2. 2nd E.2.

1.27.3—National Pride (H. M. Botelho, 138); 2, Boolat Bay (Gram, 163); 3, Rose-Queen (Poy, 150). Short head and 2. A.M.4.

1.28.0—Dupont Bay (Hearne, 168); 2, Rose Emily (Poy, 140); 3, Avon (Needa, 145). 3 and 2. 2nd E.1.

1.28.1—Galveston Bay (Hearne, 161); 2, Boolat Bay (Tao, 161); 3, Rose-Queen (Poy, 158). Short head and 6. 1st E.

1.29.3—Willynilly (Chiu, 142); 2, Smiling Time (Wei, 140); 3, Chatterbox (Encarnacao, 152). 2 and ½. A.M.5.

1.30.1—Clowner (Ip, 148) and Sylvandale (Hearne, 140); 3, Soldier of Britain (Fung, 160). Dead heat and 1½. A.M.4.

1.31.3—Smiling Time (Wei, 148); 2, Wilber (Chao, 152); 3, West Lake (Tao, 154). 2 and neck. 4th E.

1.31.4—Bressay (Hearne, 159); 2, Emergency Call (Black, 148); 3, Portrush (K. W. Fung, 158). 2 and 1½. A.M.5.

1.32.0—March Brown (Treverton, 151); 2, Geordie (Wood, 143); 3, Heddon (Chiu Ki-fan, 153). 4 and 2½. 4th E.

1.35.3—Blue Diamond (Wei, 145); 2, King Kong (H. M. Botelho, 156); 3, Lancashire Lass (Chao, 163). 2 and 1½. 2nd E.1.

1 Mile:

1.51.2 (record)—Burford (Ph, 161); 2, O-Lan (Needa, 158); 3, Dupont Bay (Hearne,

161). A.M.3.

1.52.4—Craigavad (Encarnacao, 163); 2, O-Lan (Needa, 158); 3, Dupont Bay (Black, 151). ¾ and ¾. A.M.5.

1.53.1—Clember (Chao, 161); 2, Possible (Tang Man Wa, 158); 3, Johnber (Gram, 158). 4 and 4. A.M.4.

1.54.1—Eve of Harvest (Encarnacao, 168); 2, Lilliber (Gram, 152); 3, Bear Claw (Black, 155). 2½ and 2. A.M.3.

1.54.3—Burford (Ph, 168) and Confusion Bay (Black, 158); 3, Mount Hope Bay (Proulx, 158). Dead heat and 3. 2nd E.2.

1.55.0—Humdrum Eve (Ph, 143); 2, Bear Claw (Hearne, 161); 3, Jobber (Chao, 151). 2 and neck. 4th E.

1.55.4—Jennifer (Needa, 161); 2, Peaceful View (Ph, 147); 3, King Kong (P. P. Botelho, 161) and Blue Diamond (Chao, 158). 1½ and 1½. 4th E.

1.59.0—Johnber (Chao, 153); 2, O-Lan (Needa, 158); 3, Oonagh (P. Botelho, 148). 1½ and 4. 2nd E.1.

2.01.0—King Kong (Chao, 159); 2, Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 159); 3, Salvage Master (Pan, 150). 6 and many. A.M.4.

2.02.0—Musketeer (Liang, 157); 2, Celtic Star (Marshall, 165); 3, Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 165). 4 and 2. A.M.2.

2.02.4—Gay Star (Needa, 159); 2, Hughber (Chao, 161); 3, Distinctive Time (Wei, 161). ½ and 2. 2nd E.2.

2.06.0—Guinness Time (Wei, 163); 2, Advancing Time (Chao, 151); 3, Laughing Girl (Liang, 158). 1 and 4. 2nd E.2.

2.09.2—The Tigress (Chao, 164); 2, Gog (Needa, 147); 3, Dow-Jones (Yuen, 140). Head & head. 5th E.2.

2.09.2—Bogey (Chiu Ki Pan, 140); 2, Gog (Sadick, 161); 3, Valorous (Wood, 158). 4 and 1½. A.M.4.

2.15.3—Phoenix (Liang, 153) and Chatterbox (Black, 155); 3, This Time (Wei, 151). Dead heat and 2½. 2nd E.1.

2.18.0—Fei Ying (Wei, 146); Portrush (Needa, 158); 3, Double Chance (P. Botelho, 161). 1 and 2. 2nd E.1.

1 Mile 171 Yards:

2.06.1—Oonagh (P. Botelho, 158); 2, Johnber (Chao, 168); 3, Distinctive Time (Tao, 160). ¾ and short head. 3rd E.

2.06.4—Bear Claw (Black, 159); 2, Galaxy (Chao, 153); 3, Red Feather (Wei, 158). ½ and ½. A.M.5.

2.09.1—Jennifer (Marshall, 157); 2, Expansion Time (Wei, 151) and Potentate (Encarnacao, 157). 2 and dead heat. A.M.5.

2.12.2—Tampa Bay (Wei, 159); 2, Boolat Bay (Tao, 163); 3, Galveston Bay (Hearne, 156). Short head and short head. A.M.1.

2.12.2—O-Lan (P. Botelho, 163); 2, Rose Emily (Poy, 145); 3, Red Feather (Wei, 161). 3 and neck. 2nd E.2.

2.13.2—Jennifer (Black, 158); 2, Jobber (Chao, 154); 3, King Kong (H. M. Botelho, 161). Head and 2. 2nd E.2. Jennifer was disqualified for crossing and Peaceful View was awarded third place.

2.13.4—Strathbannock (Black, 163); 2, Guinness Time (Wei, 155); 3, Clowner (Ip, 140). Short head and 2½. A.M.1.

2.15.4—Guinness Time (Wei, 163); 2, Strathbannock (Black, 171); 3, Celtic Star (Marshall, 165). 3 and 3. A.M.3.

2.17.0—This Time (Wei, 140); 2, Night View (Ph, 163); 3, Some Hope (Hearne, 145). 1½ and short head. A.M.3.

2.18.4—Phoenix (Liang, 152); 2, Emergency Call (Black, 140); 3, Bressay (Hearne, 154). 5 and neck. A.M.3.

2.19.4—Chatterbox (Yeung Wing-kwai, 160); 2, Some Hope (Chiu Ki-fan, 148); 3, Wilber (Ho Hong-ping). 1½ and 1. 3rd E.

2.21.3—Portrush (S. W. Lee, 158); 2, Ascot Vale (Sequeira, 140); 3, Double Chance (Yeung Wing-kwai, 156). 1½ and 2. 3rd E.

2.25.1—Wilber (Ho Hong-ping, 140); West Lake (Yeung Wing-kwai, 153); 3, Some Hope (Coppin, 153). Short head and 3. 2nd E.2.

¼ Mile:

2.19.2—Eve of Harvest (Black, 145); 2, Craigavad (Ph, 151); 3, O-Lan (Sung, 153). 1½ & 1½. 5th E.2.

2.20.4 (record)—Burford (Ph, 161); 2, Satinlight (Moller, 161); 3, Confusion Bay

(Black, 161). 2 and 3. A.M.4.

2.22.0—Confusion Bay (Black, 159); 2, Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 148); 3, Navy-light (Moller, 163). 2 and ½. A.M.2.

2.22.4—Clember (Chao, 168); 2, White Diamond (Ph, 158); 3, Eve of Reason (Black, 147). 6 and 3. 4th E.

2.24.4—Racyleight (Moller, 168) and Gretber (Gram, 161); 3, For All Time (Wei, 161). Dead heat and 5. A.M.4.

2.24.1—Satinlight (Moller, 161); 2, Gretber (Gram, 161); 3, Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161). 5 and many. A.M.1.

2.25.0—White Diamond (Ph, 168); 2, Jobber (Liang, 152); 3, Rose Emily (Poy, 147). 2½ & 1½. 5th E.2.

2.28.1—Hopeful Star (Hearne, 151); 2, Avon (Black, 140); 3, Red Feather (Wei, 157). Neck and ½. 1st E.

2.28.1—Gay Star (Hearne, 168); 2, Expansion Time (Wei, 141); 3, Avon (Sung, 168). 2 & 4. 5th E.2.

2.29.1—Jobber (Chao, 154); 2, Peaceful View (Ph, 158); 3, Rose Jane (Poy, 140). 5 and short head. 1st E.

3.1.3—Just in Time (Wei, 158); 2, Galveston Bay (Needa, 149); 3, Boolat Bay (Black, 148). 3 and short head. 3rd E.

2.32.0—Eve of Reason (Black, 151); 2, Hughber (Chao, 152); 3, Eve of Dancing (Barrow, 143). 1½ & 2. 5th E.1.

2.32.4—Advancing Time (Chao, 154); 2, Scenic View (Ph, 154); 3, Soldier of Britain (F. F. Li, 154). Many and neck. 3rd E.

2.48.4—Celtic Star (Tao, 155); 2, Guinness Time (Wei, 163); 3, Clowner (Ip Kuying, 145). Short head and 2½. 2nd E.1.

½ Mile:

2.50.4 (record)—Satinlight (Moller, 161); 2, Burford (Ph, 161); 3, Craigavad (Encarnacao, 161). ½ and many. A.M.2.

3.06.0—Gladiator (Wood, 146); 2, Rose Evelyn (Coppin, 158); 3, Musketeer (Chiu Ki-fan, 159). 1 & 5. 5th E.1.

3.12.0—Thirty Six (Yeung Wing-kwai, 158); 2, Strathbannock (Treverton, 154); 3, Scenic View (H. A. Botelho, 157). 3 & 1½. 5th E.1.

¾ Mile:

3.41.3—Navylight (Moller, 161); 2, Confusion Bay (Black, 161); 3, Eve of Harvest (Encarnacao, 158). Neck and many. A.M.1.

Australian Ponies

0.59.4—Happy Landings (Davis, 150); 2, Flying Dutchman (Needa, 159); 3, Derby Day (Tang, 140). Short head and short head. 4th E.

½ Mile 170 Yards:

1.00.2—Conniebar (Gram, 152); 2, Ascot Day (Chao, 153); 3, Sea Jay (Proulx, 158).

¾ and 1½. A.M.5.

1.00.3—Melody Star (Proulx, 155); 2, Spring Shine (Chao, 152); 3, Princess Claro (Liang, 162). 6 and 3. A.M.3.

1.01.0—Flying Dutchman (Needa, 152) and Sparrow (Chao, 153); 3, Sea Jay (Proulx, 158). Dead heat and short head. A.M.3.

1.03.0—Many Thanks (Davis, 145); 2, Franklin (Needa, 146); 3, Fair Chance (Proulx, 148). 2 and short head. 2nd E.2.

Six Furlongs:

1.16.2—Far View (Ph, 155); 2, Sparrow (Wei, 152); 3, Sea Jay (Proulx, 158). 6 and 4. A.M.1.

1.17.2—Lancashire Chips (Wei, 155); 2, Criffel (Needa, 150); 3, Double Finesse (S. W. Pan, 140). 4 and short head. A.M.1.

1.17.3—Sydney Lad (Hearne, 155); 2, Pumpnickel (Proulx, 152); 3, Derby Day (Chao, 155). Neck and 2½. A.M.3.

1.17.4—Australian Diamond (Tao, 155); 2, Melody Star (Proulx, 158); 3, Lucky Lady (Needa, 155). Short head and 2. A.M.1.

1.17.4—Sapper (Encarnacao, 158); 2, Contact (Davis, 153); 3, Viceroy (Chao, 153). 3 and 1. A.M.1.

1.17.4—Many Thanks (Davis, 155); 2, Franklin (Liang, 156); 3, Fair Chance (Proulx, 157). 2 and 2. 3rd E.

1.18.2—Australian Prince (Proulx, 159); 2, Spring Shine (Sung, 148); 3, Brown Derby (Black, 140). 2 & short head. 5th E.2.

1.19.2—Ruby Star (S. W. Pan, 136); 2, Heinz (Davis, 135); 3, Violet Queen (Chao, 153). Short head and short head. A.M.2.

1.21.4—Bruno (Treverton, 160); 2, Perola d'Oriente (Wei, 152); 3, Violet Queen (Chao, 157). ½ and ½. 2nd E.2.

1.28.1—Springhurst (Poy, 152); 2, Australian Prince (Ip Kuying, 152); 3, Tarzan (H. M. Botelho, 140). 2 and 2. 2nd E.1.

7 Furlongs 49 Yards:

1.36.1—Ajax (Liang, 150); 2, Happy Landings (Davis, 145); 3, Pumpnickel (Proulx, 155). Short head and short head. A.M.4.

1 Mile:

1.42.3 (record)—Sapper (Black, 163); 2, Far View (Ph, 165); 3, Australian Diamond (Wei, 145). 1 & 3. 5th E.1.

1.43.2—Courting Eve (Ph, 152); 2, Baffin Bay (Hearne, 160); 3, Vanity Fair (Needa, 149). 2½ & 1½. 5th E.2.

1.44.3—Devonian (Black, 150); 2, Tornado Star (Proulx, 162); 3, Triumphant Day (H. M. Botelho, 140). 3 and 1½. 1st E.

1.44.4—Courting Eve (Ph, 147); 2, Chiltern (Encarnacao, 155) and Tornado Star (Proulx, 163). 2 and dead heat. A.M.4.

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RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

Race No. 1

SEA JAY
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MAPLE STAR

Outsider:—Princess Claro.

Race No. 2

PEACEFUL VIEW
CONQUERING TIME
ROSE EMILY

Outsider:—Lilliber.

Race No. 3

PICCADILLY JIM
INCOME TAX
SEA URCHIN

Outsider:—Heinz.

Race No. 4

POSSIBLE
EVE OF FOLLY
JANE DOE

Outsider:—Attacking Time.

Race No. 5

COURTING EVE
CONNIEBAR
LANCASHIRE CHIPS

Outsider:—Many Thanks.

Race No. 6

ROOFLY
BREDON
SPRING SHINE

Outsider:—Violet Queen.

Race No. 7

SUNLIGHT VIEW
GOLDEN COW
PIET HEIN

Outsider:—Night View.

Race No. 8

DOUBLE FINESSE
PUMPERNICKEL
DERBY DAY

Outsider:—Annabella.

Race No. 9

EVE OF REASON
HUGHBER
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Outsider:—Taxing Master.

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NOW that the draw for the Large and Small Units Knockout Water Polo Competition has taken place, Army Water Polo will soon be in full swing. The draw for the First and Second Rounds is as follows:—

LARGE UNITS**1st Round**

H. K. Signal Coy. v 5th A. A. Regt. R.A.

Royal Scots v Royal Engineers.

2nd Round

H. K. Sig. Coy. or 5th A.A. v 8th Heavy Regt. R.A.

Royal Scots or R. Engineers v Middlesex Regt.

SMALL UNITS**1st Round**

"HQ" Coy. Royal Scots v H.K. Sig. Coy.

40 Coy. Royal Engineers v "C" Coy. Middlesex.

2nd Round

H.K. Sig. Coy. or "HQ" R. Scots v 40 Coy. R.E. or "C" Middlesex.

"B" Coy. Royal Scots v 6 Sec. R.A.O.C.

"A" Coy. Royal Scots v 12 Heavy Regt. R. A.

"A" Coy. Middlesex. v 22 (Fort) R. Engineers.

"B" Coy. Middlesex. v "D" Coy. Royal Scots.

30th Heavy Regt. R.A. v "HQ" Coy. Middlesex.

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"D" Coy. Middlesex. v "C" Coy. Royal Scots.

R.A.S.C. v 7th A.A. Regt. R. A.

IN these days of "fifth columnists" all sorts of rumours float around. One of the most persistent rumours lately is that South China Athletic Association have approached the Military Authorities on the

Canteen Talk

question of obtaining the use of the new Army Swimming Bath in Victoria Barracks for training purposes. At Headquarters all knowledge of the matter is denied. Besides, it is pointed out, for very obvious reasons such a request could not be entertained, main being that the bath is in constant use by the Army Units.

BEFORE passing on, the performance of 5th A.A. Regiment against South China is worthy of mention. The Ack Acks have a promising defence and once "Ginger" Page and Yabsley learn to

Water Polo

work in combination they should be a hard pair to get past. In "Paddy" Raf-

erty they have a useful leader and he should be real hot stuff once he settles down; at present he is inclined to be a trifle erratic. In the Knock-out Competition they are drawn against the "Tic Tac" men. This match should prove to be one of the best of the opening games, though, of course, it will be easier to judge this after we have seen the Signals in action against the Foreign "Y" on Saturday night.

THE Athletic Meeting arranged to take place between Army and C. A. A. F. at Caroline Hill some-

Athletics time in June will now not take place, the Chinese having called the meeting off.

THE Army Tennis Club played Club de Recreio on Tuesday at Kings Park and there was a decided improvement in the quality of the tennis, with the exception of one pair. Serpts. Webb and Megson do not seem to settle

Tennis down well together and Webb has not found

his true form this season yet. The other two pairs played well and were only beaten once each. In both instances their conquerors were the Recreio's star pair Barretto and Rodrigues. Colonel Smith and Capt. Hyde playing really good tennis throughout the match.

THE Referees Association are asking Hong Kong Football Association to agree to an Appointment Secretary for next season. If this request is granted it is learnt that Sergeant-Major M. Minnihan of the Royal Army Service Corps will fill the post.

EASTERN WIN FIRST GAME

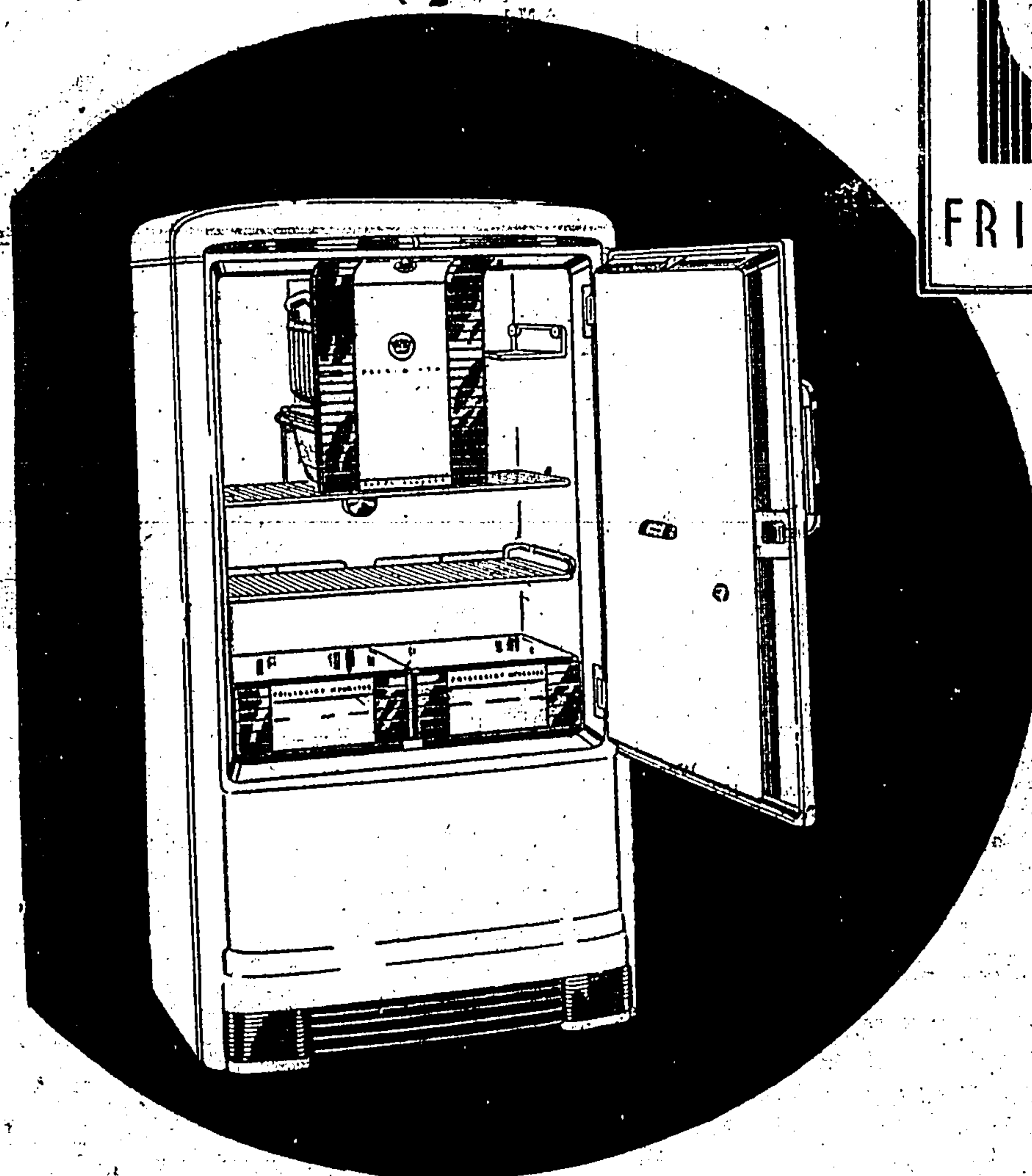
Manila, To-day. Eastern defeated the Philippines' all star soccer team yesterday by four goals to three, after leading at the interval by two goals to nil.

Hau Ching-to, Cheung Kam-hoi, Ng Kee-cheong and Cheung Yung-sum scored for Eastern. — Our Own Correspondent.

The following are the League baseball fixtures for the week-end.

H. K. Baseball Club v Chung Wah (To-day at 2.30 p.m.)
Engineers v U.S.S. Mindanao (To-morrow at 10.30 a.m.)

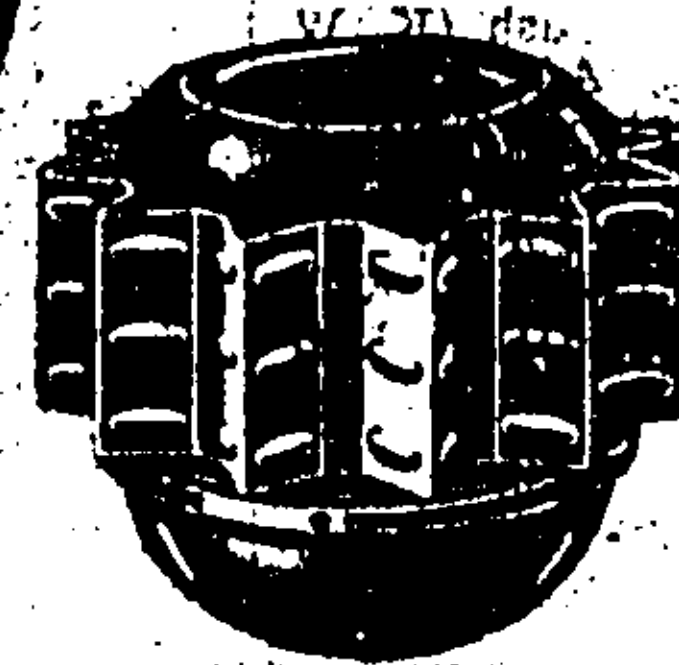
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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920.).

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The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 20th May, 1940.

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, 30th May, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive.

By order of the Board.

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Hong Kong, 16th April, 1940.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS



PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 27th day of May, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshuipo, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2783.	Junction of Castle Peak Road and Pratas Street, Shamshuipo.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	As per sale plan	About 23,100	\$218
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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 27th day of May, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Stanley, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
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WAR SITUATION UNDER CONTROL

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In general, the position is that some German units have got to the north coast of France, having penetrated through the narrow gap between Arras and the Somme. They are highly mobile and are busy destroying telephone lines and other communications.

It is thought probable that the German High Command is not fully informed about the movements of these troops, and any information released by the Allies about them might enable the Germans to reinforce these advance guards with parachute troops. This decision may still apply even where the German High Command lays claim to have taken a certain place.

Yesterday's German communique, with its scanty amount of information, seems to be confirmation of the wisdom of this "secrecy" decision.

Allied Line

Up to late on Thursday night, the position could be defined with more or less certainty as follows:—

Allied troops were holding a line from the North Sea down the River Scheldt into France down to Valenciennes, from thence to Cambrai and then north again to Arras.

South of that, the Germans had broken through the gap between the French and British Armies and some mechanised columns had advanced as far as the coast.

South of the gap, the French were firmly holding the Somme and were at the outskirts of Amiens. There is as yet no confirmation of the report that German troops are isolated in that town.

The French line then runs along the

Aisne, through Rethel and joins the Maginot Line proper near Longwy.

Maginot Line Shellfire

The Germans are not neglecting the southern flank, and there was heavy fire on Thursday on the Maginot Line and positions held to the west of it, while yesterday there were continued attacks south of Sedan.

Intense activity continues in the air. The Allied air forces are bombing enemy lines and supply routes, while the Germans are trying to bomb the Channel ports.

The Royal Navy is helping the Allied troops in every possible way, one of its particular duties being to keep French ports clear of mines.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS

The following official appointments etc. are gazetted:

Mr. H. J. Pearce to be temporarily a Member of the Legislative Council. Hon. Mr. H. J. Pearce to act as Director of Public Works.

Dr. G. W. Pope to be Port Health Officer and Inspector of Emigrants.

Mr. W. H. Whittaker to be an Acting Assistant Censor.

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Paris, To-day.

Contrary to previous reports Boulogne is in French hands and fighting is taking place south of the city, where enemy motorised elements reached the sea.

The situation in Calais is completely calm and no Germans have appeared in that region. — Havas.

Hong Kong's import trade during April reached a total of \$72,100,000 and exports were valued at \$59,000,000, an increase as compared with last year of between 20 and 26 per cent.

In the first four months of the year, imports of merchandise have exceeded those of last year by \$87,000,000 and exports were up by \$31,000,000.

Washington, To-day.

Declaring that Germany had violated the Kellogg-Briand Pact, Senator Pepper yesterday introduced in the Senate a resolution authorising President Roosevelt "to give all aid short of war to the Allies."

Such aid would include the sale of United States aeroplanes, ships, artillery and other war supplies to Britain, France, Austria, Czecho-Slovakia, Poland, Norway, Denmark, Holland and Belgium "and such other countries which may be the subject of unprovoked military aggression by Germany in violation of the Kellogg Pact or the rules of international law." —Reuter.

Washington, To-day.

"I know they have got a Gestapo and a Nazi Party in Mexico," declared Representative Martin Dies, chairman of the House committee investigating un-American activities. He had verification of reports of a heavy influx of Nazis and Communists into Mexico.

"Recently I received information that all Germans in Mexico were assessed a certain sum of money to carry on propaganda and the general work of the Nazi Party in Mexico."

Mr. Dies' statement follows charges by the "New York Times" that Germany has a Fifth Column in Mexico and plans to trouble Mexican-American relations and so divert the United States Government's attention from events in Europe.—Reuter.